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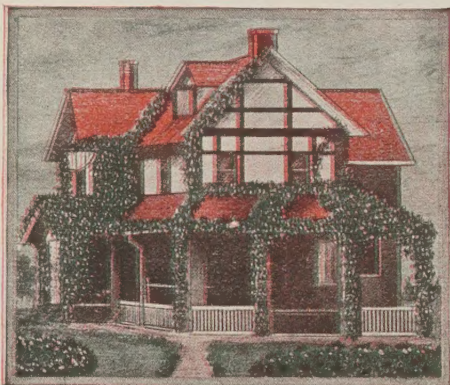
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Publisher's Announcement

It is with great satisfaction that we announce arrangements by which Mr. James Coursen Bartholf, Editor, Author and Lecturer, becomes Editor-in-Chief of Vick's Magazine.

Mr. Bartholf is a man of wide experience and scholarly attainments but these are but the least of his many qualifications for this important work. He is a man of splendid qualities of heart and head, with lofty ideals, breadth of vision, and infinite resource for attainment. He sees without stopping to notice the weaknesses of men. But he sees more. He sees the possibilities for good in every human being and instead of condemning the shortcomings, he makes the better things so attractive that we forget the sordid and seek the better part.

Mr. Bartholf is a son of the soil and a man of the people. Born and raised in the country, he knows the life of the people whom we have called him to serve. He knows the trials and obstacles that are met in the ordinary pursuits of life. He is therefore eminently qualified to assist in the practical affairs of life. The work which now opens up to Mr. Bartholf, is the one for which he is best fitted, and we feel confident that the readers of VICK'S MAGAZINE will be large gainers by his becoming its editor.

This new arrangement is but preliminary to a great forward movement and improvement of this publication. The quality of paper used, the art work, and the mechanical production are to be greatly improved, that all may be in harmony with the improved editorial quality of the magazine. We have asked Mr. Bartholf to outline his editorial policy and we print his reply herewith.

THE VICK PUBLISHING COMPANY.

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Gentlemen: Replying to your letter of recent date offering me the editorship of VICK'S MAGAZINE, permit me to say that I have given the subject very careful consideration before arriving at a definite decision. I greatly appreciate the honor conferred by the offer tendered me by you and feel that its acceptance will bring me both a splendid opportunity for service and a grave responsibility as well, to you as also to our readers. I deem it fitting to make a statement as to what, in my judgment, should be the general editorial policy of this magazine. I feel that it should be so edited as to have an individuality all its own. The spirit and character of the good man by whom it was founded, James Vick, should permeate every issue and the exceeding value of the civilizing and humanizing industry with which his name is inseparably connected, should be constantly kept in view. The influence for good of floral and plant culture upon the home life of the nation cannot be overestimated. Hence the floral and plant flavor should pervade the pages of this publication, but it should be strictly a flavor and not the substance. Flowers and plants are the most beautiful things we know in the whole realm of Nature, also the most useful, but they are chiefly interesting only as they are related to human need, welfare, and happiness. Truly, flowers are for folks and folks are not in this world for the sake of the flowers. Beyond all question, the most beautiful flowers in the garden of the Lord are those that grow on human plants—the graces of a well developed body, a cultured mind, and a noble heart.

The chief aim of this magazine should be, therefore, as it appears to me, to show how these graces of human nature may best be cultivated, not by preaching, prating, or long-drawn-out moralizing, but by giving in cheery and breezy narrative, story, or verse, interesting exhibits of good things that have been or may be done in the cultivation of these most desirable graces. In the work of attaining this aim our method should be positive, not negative. Hence we should devote but little attention, comparatively, to pointing out and enlarging upon the weaknesses, shortcomings, foibles, and

frailties of mankind, but rather seek first and foremost to foster the development of a constantly increasing number of human plants that shall bear an abundance of beautiful flowers and good fruit, by magnifying the good wherever found.

We all know that the largest room in the world is the room for improvement, but it is not the highest form of usefulness, either for an individual or a magazine, to devote his or its energy principally to calling attention to its many hideous proportions nor constantly to pointing out the ugly pictures upon its walls, but rather to the pleasanter and more helpful task of making plain how the hideousness is steadily being eliminated and is itself assuming more befitting proportions; how more pleasing pictures are one by one being placed upon the wall; how truly attractive and artistic these new pictures are. Holding to this view of what should be the policy of this publication, it will be my constant effort to secure such carefully selected matter for Vick's Magazine as shall make it a potent influence in the world, making for constructive betterment for the benefit both of the individual, the home, and society as a whole. I firmly believe that we can appeal to the intelligent reading public upon this platform with the utmost confidence.

So far as my observation goes, there is no other magazine of large circulation that is being conducted in harmony with the policy herein set forth. This being true, we will have a most inviting and large field quite to ourselves,—one specially attractive for the reason that the great average of people are firm believers in the gospel of the positive, the progressive, and the constructive. They are not admirers of Lot's wife nor are they, like her, constantly looking backward, but forward, onward, and upward toward the heights. If we make our magazine the representative of this splendid "average of the people," an exponent of the cardinal principles of their faith, and make it ring true to the highest human welfare, we will never lack for an enthusiastic and rapidly growing constituency.

Every movement, every organization, every institution, and every individual doing something definite and positive for the promotion of human welfare should find in VICK'S MAGAZINE a true friend and supporter in the good work being done. Every succeeding number should be permeated by some vital theme and set forth, in the most attractive manner possible, the history and development of some kind of noble endeavor that is making for human welfare and the increase of world happiness. In keeping with this thought the April number will be the Sunshine number and that most delightful quality will pervade every page. A leading feature will be an article showing the wonderful growth and splendid achievements of the International Sunshine Society. Other Sunshine features of unusual attractiveness will characterize the April number. In like manner, it would be eminently desirable to make the May Vick's an Arbor Day and Forestry Number, which will make it replete with intensest interest to America's splendid army of teachers and pupils. Such a number would not only be in keeping with the spirit and purpose of the magazine's founder but also in harmony with the entire career and genius of this publication. Later we could get out other special numbers, such as: "The City Beautiful," "Good Roads," "Irrigation," "Land Drainage," "The Railroad Beautiful," "Human Welfare in Railroad," "Human Welfare in Industry," "Woman's Welfare," "Children's Welfare," "Educational Welfare." All these could be so handled as to be the means of securing much new business and winning the friendship and loyal support of the very best people who live on the American continent.

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How Women Beautify Themselves

Some Secrets Worth Knowing

By JULIA M. WAKELY

Here is a letter I received among a large bundle of others and as it voices some of the worries that are brought to my attention in nearly every mail, I will give it to my readers bodily, only reserving the writer's name.

Hartford, Conn., February 9th, 1908

Dear Miss Wakeley:—

I am unhappy and you certainly did strike the right chord when you asked "what woman can face the realization that she is less lovely than yesterday and be happy."

There is one thing that has been worrying me for some time past, and perhaps with your extended experience in these matters you may be able and willing to help me. At any rate, I am taking the liberty of asking these questions because they are of vital importance to me.

I am a young married woman twenty five years of age—my general health is apparently good. I have a loving husband and two sweet children, a little girl of five and my baby boy of nearly three. Since weaning the latter, I have noticed that I have become thinner and lost to some extent the contour of a figure of which I have heretofore been very proud. I sort of droop and just *can't* seem to recover that fulness of bust, neck, face and limbs that were formerly mine. And the worst of it all is that this condition does not improve with time as I had hoped it would and I have tried every remedy that I can think of but without success. All that I have succeeded in accomplishing is in putting worry lines on my brow and about my eyes and mouth.

Now, dear Miss Wakeley, I am too young a woman to show these age signs and the one thing that worries me most is that I am sure my husband and friends notice the great change in me. I am unhappy because I am less attractive to those dearest to me and I dread to think of it. I do not want to seem vain or selfish, but I will be very grateful to you if you can tell me how I can recover what I have lost.

Thanking you in advance for the kind and encouraging words which I feel certain you will say to me, I remain,

Sincerely,

K----- M. C.-----

P. S. I have just been reading what you said about worrying, and I have taken your advice to the extent of going to my mirror and consulting it and I quite agree with you that it is a good thing to see for ourselves just how our feelings are reflected in our faces. I caught an expression on my face that I would not care to have the loved ones see. And do you really think that I can improve my appearance by cultivating a happy, pleased expression?

I have selected this one particular letter and have given it to my women friends for several reasons—the first one being because it so well expresses by the pen of a woman of refinement, a mother and a wife, the one paramount desire that is in the hearts of all of us. Another reason is, that I believe by taking the time and space in answering it through these columns I will be able to do the greatest amount of good to the greatest number of my women friends who honor me with their confidences. This letter is not an exception to the many I receive, but on the other hand it is similar to many another.

There is much feeling expressed in it that appeals to me.

It shows that one little woman, at least, did realize that her happiness and comeliness go hand in hand. There is much to be read between the lines that you will read as well as I. She was not prompted by vanity, but by an earnest desire to hold the admiration and affection of those dearest to her. This is Nature's one great law, that we preserve and try to bring ourselves up to the highest standard of physical perfection. It is a law of the selection of the fittest that no woman can afford to pass over too lightly.

A lovely woman or a beautiful child possess a fascination that cannot be denied and it is little wonder that every woman craves as her own her right and title to a heritage of beauty. And while perfect beauty of face and form are not essential to an attractive woman (and many of our most fascinating women can lay no claim to real beauty), still *it is a powerful lever.*

Massage as a Developer

And now for a practical way of overcoming some difficulties that at first seem almost insurmountable. I am a firm believer of massaging for the removal of all facial blemishes and for the development of the body. I know of numerous instances where matrons of forty and more, have by its aid preserved their pre-

fect maturity and rivalled the attractiveness of their daughters of eighteen. No woman need appear old before her allotted time, for premature ageing caused by worry or ill-health *can* be checked and the freshness of youth restored.

Care, however, should be used in the treatments given, and as the majority of women cannot afford to expend the time and money required for professional treatment, I will outline here a few things to be remembered and practiced.

The First Step

The first and most important thing to consider is the general health. If you are troubled with a stomach or nervous disorder, or any disease that is wasting the tissue and blood supply, your first step should be to correct it. Many times it can be done with some simple remedy, of which there are numerous that have real merit and may be had at a very small expenditure. If this does not avail, confide in your physician.

Cleanliness is the next important thing to be remembered. It is not sufficient that the body should be lightly gone over, but care should be used to remove from the thousands of little mouths (the pores of the skin) the matter that clogs them and prevents their performing their duty of clearing the system of its impurities. For this purpose a good quality of soap should

be selected and used liberally with warm water, and if the bath is taken for the purpose of preparing the skin for massaging the water should be as hot as can be used. Next, rinse off the soap thoroughly, using cold water, or if you are delicate, it should be used tepid at first and a little colder on succeeding days until you can bear it quite cold. Apply the rinse water with a spitting of the palms to stimulate the skin and bring the blood to the surface. Next, stand perfectly erect, fill the lungs to their fullest capacity with air and proceed to dry yourself vigorously with a coarse towel.

The woman who wants to develop her chest and acquire the glow of youth must inhale all of the fresh air she can, and whenever she thinks of it she should straighten up and take a deep breath, letting the air escape from the lungs slowly.

Massage with a Flesh Food

The skin now being in the proper condition for massage treatment, a reliable flesh building preparation should be applied. It should be a food, intelligently prepared by a physician who understands the requirements of impoverished tissue. A cold cream will not be of any benefit for this purpose, and especially the disappearing kind which in reality glazes the skin, giving it a soft velvety feeling but in so doing simply closes the pores. What is needed is a food to nourish and stimulate the skin proper and the underlying tissue which contains thousands of tiny vesicles that are in reality the fat reservoirs that Nature has provided to retain the nourishment that the flesh and skin require to keep them in a healthy condition.

I have used one that I know can be relied upon to do this, and I freely recommend it to all who wish to develop and make plump their cheeks, neck, arms, shoulders and bust. It is the Dr. Charles Flesh Food, prepared by the Dr. Charles Company, whose address is Dept. V, Dutch and Fulton streets, New York City. They will send you two regular size boxes of it by mail and in a plain sealed wrapper upon receipt of one dollar, and they will also send you their valuable little book, "Art of Massage" which gives a series of practical lessons on just how to massage at home to get the best results. They make everything so clear to you in this little book that I advise you each and every one to secure a copy and read it.

I want to mention, too, that this preparation is a really delightful and dainty toilet luxury that answers all the purposes of cold creams but is otherwise unlike them, as it is a veritable flesh builder.





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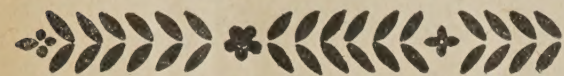
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NO ONE well-posted in the present status of newspaperdom will seriously dispute the statement that Mrs. Cynthia Westover Alden is the most prominent newspaper woman of America. Her eminence in this regard is fully attested by these facts; that she has been editor of the Woman's Page, of the New York Tribune, a department editor of the New York Herald, The Ladies' Home Journal, and other leading publications; that she is the only woman to serve on the official Board of the International League of Press Clubs, and that she was selected by the press women of the United States to represent them at the International Woman's Council at London.

Mrs. Alden was born at Afton, Iowa, May 31, 1862, and was the daughter of Oliver S. and Lucinda (Lewis) Westover. Her father was the well known mineralogist and temperance advocate, Professor O. S. Westover of San Francisco, who was a descendant of the Westovers who emigrated from Holland to Virginia in 1600. On the maternal side she is connected with the Welsh Lewis family, of which Francis Lewis, the signer of the Declaration of Independence, was a member. When a child only four years old, her mother died. Thus bereaved of a mother's priceless love, the little one clung the closer to her father. His duties as a mineralogist called him to the wilds of the far West. He had thought to leave his little daughter with friends in the East, but with an independence of judgment, which has characterized her mature years, she vigorously dissented from the program proposed by her paternal progenitor, positively pronouncing her imperial purpose in childish parlance thus: "I's doin' wiv my papa's tachel." Then, as in life's struggles later, she won the day, the father gracefully yielding.

For years he was traveling through the West, being engaged in geological and mineralogical work in Colorado and other Western states. During all these years little Cynthia was his constant companion and comfort, becoming also a general favorite with cowboys, mining men, and other adventurous spirits living in the then "wild and woolly West." The rough and ready, but brave and chivalrous, denizens of the plains and mining camps came to entertain an ardent affection for "Bushy," as she was familiarly called on account of her then thick and bushy head of hair. A most gratifying evidence of the enduring character of these child-day friendships was afforded Mrs. Alden when she was in Denver a few years since attending the meeting of the Federated Woman's clubs. On that occasion she was overwhelmed with callers, telephone-messages, telegrams from early morning until night from her old time friends, the miners and cowboys, who had heard of her presence in the city.

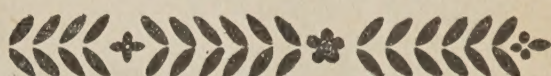
In her early days she had two most excellent teachers, Dame Nature as manifested in the wide-spreading plains and the rugged and jagged, high, up-rearing mountains, and her father, who gave constant and loving attention to her education. Without disparagement to the latter it might be difficult to say which were the better teacher. What ever might be the decision, no doubt much of her strength of character and marked individuality is due to her early associations with the stern realities, grandeurs, sublimities, and immensities of the Rocky Mountain region. She grew up a veritable child of nature, her only playmate being her four-footed friends. She learned to ride a horse like an Indian, became a good shot with a rifle, carried a Colt revolver in her belt, which in shooting she always held across her left arm; became expert with the lasso, and could also shoot with the Indian bow and arrow. The many thrilling adventures that she experienced during this formative period of her career are recorded in a book entitled "Bushy, or Child Life in the Far West," (1896.) It is an autobiographical story full of life, vigor and movement which the St. Louis "Globe-Democrat" characterized as "a prodigy of feminine courage."

Her first experience within the four walls of an ordinary school room was at Central City, Col. It may be easily imagined how tiresome and irksome to her were the restraints there enforced. She at length be-



CYNTHIA WEST-OVER ALDEN

BY THE EDITOR



that accomplishment she was ready for another, and turned to the study of languages. She made her home with non-English speaking families and in this way she speedily acquired a number of foreign tongues. Mrs. Alden had been in the habit of testing her knowledge by taking examinations for various positions as the opportunity arose, and one day she was notified that from the civil service examination taken almost a year before she stood first on a list of 200, and had been appointed to fill a vacancy as United States customs inspectress in the year 1887. She eagerly accepted this opportunity for further increasing her experience, and before long she was acting as interpreter on the Spanish, French, German, and Italian steamships. She held this important position under Surveyor H. S. Beatie, of the port of New York, and later when Mr. Beatie became commissioner of street cleaning, she resigned her position at the custom house to become his private secretary. Her superior executive ability and wonderful tact, added to her knowledge of several languages, proved of immense advantage to the department. During her service in this position she became known as the "poor man's friend" from her interest in, and friendliness to, the street cleaners of various nationalities, to whom she spoke in their own language. While here Mrs. Alden invented and patented a dump cart with movable body, which, by means of a derrick which lifted the body of the cart when filled, did away with the "hill horse." She also originated the small carts used by street cleaners to collect the dirt piles accumulated after the regular daily cleaning, which was afterwards improved and is now seen in all the larger cities as a necessary part of the street cleaning equipment. After her successful career in this position, she became the superintendent of a candy factory, and subsequently was employed in the American Museum of Natural History cataloging books and minerals. Meanwhile she carried on a line of successful literary work. Thereafter she followed the natural bent of mind and heart and devoted her time and talents to literary and philanthropic endeavor. In her early literary work she wrote and illustrated her productions, proving herself an expert in both these lines.

In 1895 she became editor of the woman's page of the New York "Recorder," and subsequently was connected in an editorial capacity with the New York "Tribune," the New York "Herald," and the "Ladies' Home Journal." In addition to her book "Bushy" previously mentioned she wrote a history of Greater New York, "Manhattan Historic and Artistic" (1892), and "Woman's Ways of Earning Money" (1904). In 1906 she received the degree of master of literature from Alfred University, a degree that few of the prominent presswomen possess. With all her accomplishments, however, Mrs. Alden will be best remembered by her founding of the International Sunshine Society in 1896, a simple organization requiring merely that each member shall agree to do one kind act during each year. There are no initiation fees or dues for its members; no salaries for its officers, and no way for any officer to be benefited financially. The work is done by all for the good of the cause and the love of mankind. The society's influence is spreading all over the civilized world; the membership is over 100,000, and the work it is doing surely is one of the greatest factors in the softening and beautifying of life and the advancement of human welfare.

As President-general of the Sunshine society, Mrs. Alden, through her "Sunshine" articles in several hundred papers, probably is better known, reaches more hearts, and interests more people in philanthropic and educational work than any other woman in the world. She was married Aug. 15, 1896, to John Alden, one of the editors of the "Brooklyn Eagle" and a nephew of Henry Mills Alden, for many years associated with "Harper's Magazine."

The readers of Vick's Magazine have a rare treat in store as the writer hereof has arranged with Mrs. Alden for an illustrated article for the April number, setting forth the genesis, growth, and splendid human-welfare work being accomplished by the International Sunshine Society, of which she is the president-general.

came reconciled to her new environment, and made remarkable progress in her studies.

She afterwards attended the Denver public schools and not only passed with credit through a regular high-school course, but was graduated with high honors from the Colorado state university at Boulder, being a member of the first class to be graduated therefrom.

From there she went to the Denver Business College. Possessing an insatiable thirst for knowledge, and a strong desire to be constantly doing something, she determined to learn a trade, and at the end of the term entered the employ of a tentmaker in Denver, where in time she became superintendent of the factory. She had previously secured a teacher's certificate, but had no particular desire to teach until she heard of a certain school in Colorado whose boys were so unruly that no teacher could govern them. She at once applied for that particular position, and proved herself fully equal to the situation as she has since done in all her varied undertakings. The incorrigibles at once began planning a definite campaign against the new "school ma'am." But to their sorrow they learned the truth of Burns' lines:

"The best-laid schemes o' mice and men," (and school boys too)

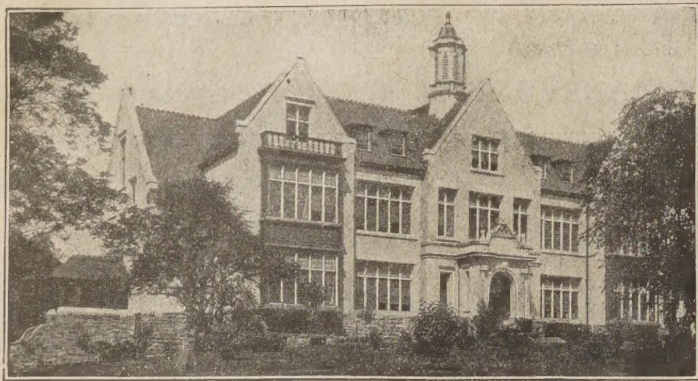
"Gang off 'a gley,
And leave us nought but grief and pain
For promised joy."

They undertook to sew her up in a sheet, as they had treated her predecessors; but her early training in boxing, fencing, and wrestling served her, and she thrashed the leader, a bully larger than herself. His father, the most dangerous man in the valley, sent her a threatening message, and she returned answer that she was ready to treat him exactly as she had treated his son. It pleased him, and he said: "That school-ma'am is a — fine woman." "Oh," she added, as she related the occurrence, "it might have turned out differently; but often it is not being afraid of trouble that conquers trouble."

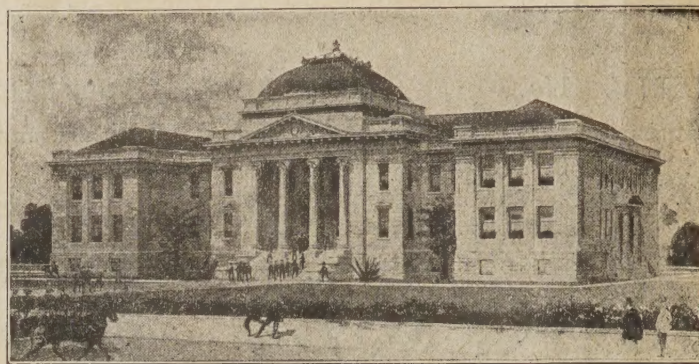
After her graduation, though not specially gifted in a musical line, she determined to become a musician and singer, and by virtue of her indomitable will, dogged perseverance, and persistent application, accomplished her purpose. Evidence of her triumph is afforded by the fact that she afterward occupied the position of soprano at St. Michael's church of Jersey City and of the double choir of St. Thomas' in New York.

She became the understudy for the leading soprano at the Academy of Music, and received a number of offers to go on the opera stage, but having acquired

THE SCHOOL BEAUTIFUL



Public School No. 153, The Bronx, Greater New York



New High School, Pomona, Cal.

A Social Center

By Matilda Miller

EARLY in February of each year, committees of pupils are appointed and work assigned to each. Some preparation for this work has been given in the Nature lessons which are a part of our Course, and which are given throughout the entire year.

These committees make plans for the decoration of the school-grounds and also plans for enlisting the support of the patrons of the ward. Blank forms are sent to each residence for the signature of the patron. These forms are pledges to keep the boulevards neat and free from paper and refuse; to set out trees and care for them; and to keep all back yards neat and sightly. After the signatures are obtained, a committee of pupils has this matter in charge. Its duties are to inspect the ward from time to time, and to see that the pledges are kept. In this line of the work we have met with a ready response from the patrons.

The committees who have charge of the school-grounds select their seeds and plants and have all their plans matured so that they may begin work as soon as the season will permit. About the middle of April, the annuals are planted in boxes—such annuals as alyssum, star phlox, nasturtium, and sweet peas, the last of which we have had great success in transplanting. The young seedlings are transplanted as soon as they safely can be into other boxes, and this is done several times, thus insuring strong, thrifty plants by the time the season permits their being put into the beds prepared for them.

By the latter part of April, work is begun out of doors. In this a definite plan is followed. Of course this plan is varied in the case of the annuals for each year. But our regular landscape scheme is as follows:—A sod border, six feet wide, just inside of a tile walk, around the entire building. Outside of this tile walk is our sod boulevard, also six feet wide. In both of these we have planted rows of elms and maples and they have made a thrifty three years' growth. Inside of this sod border, we have an ornamental wire fence. Vines have been planted all along this fence and also around the entire building, thus forming a background of green. We have bitter-sweet, Virginia creeper, Boston ivy, grape-vines and hop-vines and we have been eminently successful with them. Besides these vines, we also have wild cucumber vines and sweet peas to ornament our fence.

In the center of each section of the grounds is a sodded flower-bed. We vary the plants in each bed with each season. One, however, which is on the shady side of the building, we have filled with maiden-hair ferns, around which we plant each season a border of alyssum. In others we have scarlet salvia with borders of alyssum; in others star phlox which we find very satisfactory for the grounds, not only on account of the brilliant colors, but also because it blossoms so freely.

Around the entire building, we have a border two feet wide for annuals, and perennials. On the outer edge of this border we have alyssum, with scarlet geraniums, scarlet salvia, marguerites, pansies and hollyhocks just back of it. Then we have clumps of golden-rod, perennial phlox, lilies of the valley in a shady corner, forget-me-nots, lemon lilies, lavender lilies, and lilacs.

On the north side of the building, we have reserved our border for our wildwood corner, and on this is lavished our most elaborate care and painstaking effort. We have over eighty specimens of our native plants in this wildwood corner, and the pleasure the pupils have had in obtaining these specimens and becoming familiar with them, and the knowledge of botany they have gained, would alone have amply repaid us for the effort. But besides all this, we have

added materially to our landscape effect. In this "wildwood corner," we have the Rosa Blanda, the sumac, and the silky cornel in the way of shrubs; then we have jack-in-the-pulpits, marsh marigolds, golden-rod, the New England aster, the cone-flower, the wind and the rue anemones, the creeping-crowfoot, the wind violet, the bird's foot and the dog-tooth violets, the clintonia, the dicentra, the brake, the cinnamon fern, and the maiden-hair fern.

We expect to add to this list many new specimens the coming season. Our season's work has already begun, and the pupils are looking forward eagerly to their pleasant work in the school garden.

School Gardens

By H. D. Hemenway

The school garden movement began nearly ninety years ago, but it has developed most rapidly during the past thirty-five or forty years. Its principal growth has been in European countries, where there are today over one hundred thousand gardens. In this country the movement was of later origin and has not yet developed to the proportion that it has in Europe. There are today, however, hundreds of school gardens in America, such as are best suited to our conditions.

One of the original motives of the school garden connected with the European school was to furnish an additional income to the teacher, as well as to serve an educational purpose.

The object of the school garden is not to make farmers and gardeners any more than our manual training department of our public schools is to make carpenters and mechanics, but it is to educate and make nobler men and women. The fundamental idea in establishing gardens in America is generally to better educate the child.

We have the school garden, the garden school, and the home garden associations, but the object of each is to make better citizens, to make stronger, nobler men and women from the boys and girls. No argument is needed to convince any one who has ever seen the working of a successful school garden, that its principal crop is the making of better citizens.

There are three things which fix a man's value in the world: his knowledge, or what he knows; his ability, or what he can do; his character, or what he is. The school should certainly aid in developing all of these. There is no other one thing connected with any school system that will better develop all three than the school garden. It takes away the drudgery of the school room, furnishes an opportunity for the motor activities of the child, brings him out into the pure air and sunshine, creates in him a love of nature and of things beautiful, teaches him to work with his hands as well as his head and to work with both together, and brings him into loving contact with nature, refining and ennobling his character. The garden furnishes a means for the practical application of mathematics, makes geography more interesting, furnishes a subject for the English classes, for the language classes and furnishes material for the drawing and painting lessons. In fact, the garden can be correlated with every subject taught in the class room.

With one period a day in the garden the child develops a physical strength which enables it to combat diseases. The exercise in the pure open air, besides developing the physical system, also makes the mind more keen, quicker to grasp ideas and put these ideas into action. Where gardens have been conducted several years, it is found that the boys having gardens were thirty per cent more rapid than those who did not have them.

As the public school is educating our future citizens it should help to develop moral character. In Dayton, Ohio, the factory district or the district about the National Cash Register Company, was so un-

popular that building lots sold from \$200 to \$300 apiece, and the boys in the vicinity were known as the "Slidertown toughs." After the establishment of gardens, instead of being a class of stealing boys they were entirely cured and building lots sold from nine to fifteen hundred dollars apiece. One of the principal reasons why boys do not respect the rights of others, is because they never had any property themselves. After they have had a garden and have the responsibility of taking care of it, they begin to respect the rights of others in the gardens, and this moral sense gradually grows upon them until they come to be equally regardless of property rights in all other things as well.

The influence of the school garden does not stop with the boy or girl at the school. What is learned at school is remembered and the children go home and clean up the back yards, which are often unsightly, unsanitary, and unproductive, and these yards become a resort of health, of beauty, and of productiveness for the entire family. The boys are kept off the street corners. They have something to occupy their minds during the long summer vacations, and they learn something of industry. The garden educates because it deals with things and not with words, it cultivates the boy's observation and keeps his senses keen.

There is another reason why the school gardens should be established for the education of boys and girls, to better enable them to support themselves and those dependent upon them and to be better citizens. With this in view the state appropriates the fund for carrying on the public schools. When we consider that fifty-five per cent of our exports are products from the farm and that nearly one-half of our population gets a living from the land, we are amazed that our educators have waited so long before teaching something of elementary agriculture in our public schools. When no more than ninety-eight per cent of the children ever obtain an education higher than the graded schools, it is evident that they should be taught in them enough to become useful as well as intelligent citizens.

School garden training in rural sections develops the head, the heart, and the hand, and also stimulates the knowledge of reading, writing, and arithmetic; it gives the child as good, or better, mental training as do some of the subjects usually taught in the class room, and at the same time imparts knowledge of the common things of life which will help the country boy or girl to better understand the things about them, and to better till the soil. It will be a means of checking the human stream flowing to the already overcrowded cities. In the city it creates a love for nature and gives a tendency to want to go back to the land and to get a living from the soil; it also promotes the sanitary and civic welfare of the city, and the children become healthier and the city becomes more beautiful.

Many times the products that are raised in the gardens are quite an item, especially to the poorer families. But it is not what the pupils have raised that is of the greatest value to them, but rather the practice in measuring, in watching for the things to come up, in learning to observe what they look at and to understand something of what they see, the growing love for Nature and things beautiful, learning habits of industry, being pleasantly occupied at something worth while, and the physical development in the pure open air; these are some of the things which are of far greater importance than the garden produce, both to the children and to the State. The practical Nature Study is of fundamental importance to the boys and girls of today. Learning habits of close observation and coming into loving contact with Nature and with Nature's God cannot help but make boys and girls stronger, more intelligent, and nobler citizens. That is what the school garden does where it is carefully, prudently, and intelligently conducted.

The Country School House and Its Environs

By Prof. Frank William Howe
Michigan Agricultural College

When a new school house is to be built in a rural district, it is too often the case that it is located where the cheapest spot of ground can be had. A quarter of an acre of ground might raise four or five bushels of wheat a year, which might sell for three or four dollars. It appears to some a question whether such valuable property should be devoted to the use of children. To such it seems much cheaper to plant the schoolhouse in a swamp, on a sand-hill, or a treeless waste. But it should be remembered that an attractive schoolground will do much more than a wheat crop to keep the child on the farm. In many a country child there is born an antipathy to the farm life before he is old enough to reason the subject. The surroundings of the child are much more potent than is generally supposed in fixing his ideals of life. The boy or girl whose school environment is beautiful and harmonious will not be beset by a longing to go to the cities or elsewhere out of contact with the charm of nature.

Not only should the location of the schoolhouse be pleasant and inspiring, but the building itself should harmonize with the child's love of the beautiful. The ordinary country schoolhouse in years gone by has been little more than a box.

Intelligent managers of the most progressive railway companies are more and more building truly beautiful stations and surrounding them with artistically laid out parks with flower beds, vines, shrubs, trees, etc., even though they may accommodate no more people than with ugly structures and unkempt grounds. The great transportation companies would not make large expenditures for such purposes if they did not find it profitable to do so. Such being true, will it not pay the people of every school district to adopt a similar policy with reference to their school and its environs? Indeed, how much more should it be considered important to provide attractive conditions during that period in the lives of our children when they are the most impressible and responsive to the influence of environment.

When the sanitary, artistic, and moral possibilities of such an improvement can be once understood by the patrons of a school, the whole neighborhood can be enlisted to bring about the change.

The teacher must usually take the initiative in improving the surroundings of the school building. It may often be necessary to develop the sentiment of the community in favor of betterment before he can secure sufficient co-operation. But in every neighborhood there are a few persons whose influence may be effectively enlisted. When these few are sufficiently interested, a "bee" may be organized for improving the school grounds. One man will repair the fence, or remove it if not needed; another will plow the ground, if that is necessary; another will sow the seed for a new sod, and still others will bring trees and bushes for ornament and shade. The whole work may be done in a day, if properly planned. Most persons begin such work without a fundamental plan or picture of what is to be desired. They want to know about roses and lilacs, and how much space to leave between the shrubs and plots of flowers; and then put them in promiscuously or else with mathematical precision in any part of the school ground. The result of such aimless planting is stiff, artificial, and unpleasing.



Proposed Central High School, Pueblo, Colorado

First, then, have a definite plan. "Begin with the plan, not with the plants." And the plan should have reference to the proper uses of a school ground. The middle of the plot should be open, allowing room for the sports and exercises so necessary to good physical development in children. The side next to the highway should also be left open. The schoolhouse should be the center of a beautiful picture in landscape gardening.

Regard must be had not only to the picture which the house and grounds present to an observer from the outside, but also from the inside. "All schools should be located, as far as possible, where the eye will rest upon the things of nature instead of clusters of houses." Leave openings in your foliage plan wherever distant views can be had of fine old trees, hills, a lake, or a handsome farm house. Such influences as these appeal not only to the child's sense of proportion and beauty but minister also to the right development of his moral character.

Blessed is the boy or girl who is born in the country, or at least has the opportunity of learning the lessons of youth in a pleasant country schoolhouse. Duty may call older persons to the city, and the trained, devoted mind may find God in the city, too; but the ideal place for children is in closest contact with Nature. Yet the average country boy or girl is not always inspired with the highest ideals; it requires refined taste in parents and teacher and a love for the beautiful to make even natural advantages impressive and effective in character-making. These results do not come of themselves, but must be cultivated.

After the school ground has been properly platted and bordered with shade trees, attention should be given to ornamenting with shrubs and flowering plants; but nothing is more attractive than a strong-growing green sod on the areas not needed for playgrounds.

In the selection of shrubs and trees, only the most common should be planted, as they will be the most certain to live and thrive. The most ordinary shrubs and bushes when carefully placed in a school ground will give it a beauty that would delight the eye and heart of a city-bred boy or girl. Willows, witch-hazel, dogwood, sweetbriar, thorn-apple, elders, sumac, and many others may be found in almost any rural locality. Others can easily be added from the farmer's garden and orchard. Along the fences and the walls of outbuildings running vines may be used to excellent advantage.

The heart of child and man has been made responsive to the sweet influences of Nature and learns to

look through Nature up to the great Author of all Nature. Surround our children with an environment that is beautifying and uplifting, and we have furnished them with the strongest support and incentive to the highest mental and moral development.

The Education of the Flower Garden

By App M. Smith

The need of flowers and shrubs around the home is more apparent in the education of the young people in all those branches of usefulness in everyday avocations than most people realize. Note, for instance, the clumsiness and disordered condition of the first flower bed that the little child makes in her play garden. The rows run zig-zag, some plants are set shallow and some deep, and some seeds are planted out of the row and some in it. The lack of order and system is most pronounced

in every feature of the child garden. When the dry weather comes the plants are forgotten and are allowed to wither and die. Or, perchance, the watering of the plants is done, not when they need it but when the child takes a notion to engage in an hour's play with the sprinkling pot. All of these untrained tendencies need to be trained in order to form character. The rows in the garden must be made straight and regular, because in doing so the child's eye and hand receives the exercise that fits them for doing all other things in a straight and regular manner. The little ones must be taught that there is beauty in a straight and even row, and that plants to grow well need to be set out well—just deep enough and not too deep. System, order, thoroughness, doing things at the right time, and when they need to be done, strict attention to and care of all things under one's charge, are valuable lessons taught around the home that has its flower garden. The flower garden and the work therein in this way—in the training of the eye, the hand, and the thought—develops art, industry, symmetry of motion, thoroughness of doing and vigilance, alertness of action and rounds out the useful powers of the child, thus giving it an education that it gets nowhere else except in a thoroughly equipped manual training school. There is no field of industry, either in the field, the shop, the factory, the counting-room, the art studio, the professional life, or in the public service, that will not welcome the person who possesses the training secured in the well-kept flower garden. Let the little folks, therefore, have their garden, in the windows before the spring opens, and in the open air when the winter's cold has disappeared both at home and school.

Show them how to plant, how to till, and how to reap. All the faculties of the body and mind, as well as the finer impulses of the heart, are brought into play in the watching and tending of plant growing. The time will come when every school house will have its school garden because the exercise and training of all the faculties of the young cannot be secured so well in any other way.

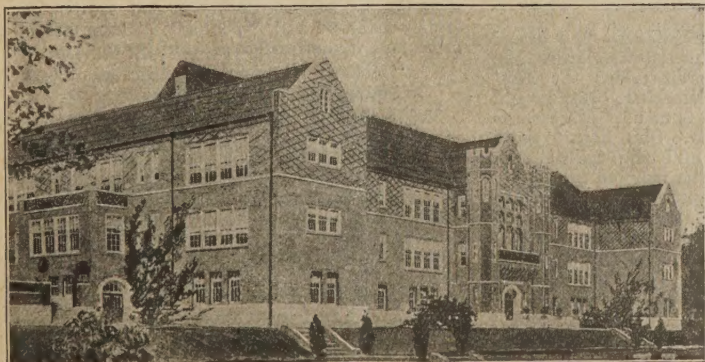
All the earnestness, enthusiasm, and industry imaginable cannot make a bad business good.

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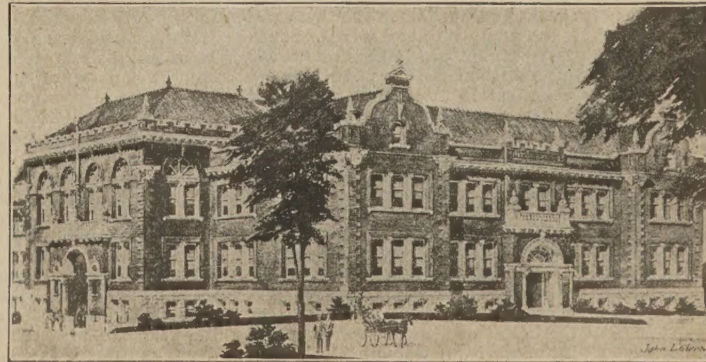
Nobler far than the victories of the sword are the triumphs and the trophies of the plowshare.

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Happy is he who knows something, but happier still he who knows what to do with what he knows.



Wyman School, St. Louis, Mo.



New High School, South Omaha, Nebr.



OLD NOLES' AWAKENING

By FRANCIS EUGENIA BOLTON

OLD NOLES was sitting by the kitchen stove reading the country newspaper, as he usually did after chores and supper were over, yawning by spells, giving little gruff guffaws and grunts as comments.

Noles was a Northern Michigan farmer, raw-boned, weather-beaten, hard-worked, narrow-minded,—a man who had been obliged (at least he thought so) to give his time, muscle, and mind to grudging furrows, weakly cattle, and scanty crops. Of books, music, art, or religion he thought little. He had his spasms of patriotism and politics; but for other trivial things he had neither time nor inclination.

No one would ever have mistrusted that Noles had an affectionate nature, that lay deeply buried beneath the rubbish of false modesty, wrong theories, and a life-time of bad practices. His children were married and gone; and though mother often sighed for them, Noles seemed glad of it. Noles was temperate; he neither smoked, chewed, nor drank. He had the name of being as "tight as frost to the window-pane." There was a very good reason for this, in his mind, since he was determined to reach a certain figure of prosperity, cost what it would, and everything that bent toward that end was to be commended.

Noles had never spared himself. He seldom complained; but kept doggedly at work, early and late, rain or shine. The hard knots in his hands, the furrows in his face, told how hard the struggle was. He sighed often, and sometimes groaned, as if the strain of an unseen battle was upon him. But he did not ask for sympathy nor expect it. In fact, he resented anything like demonstrative tenderness. It was enough to find his socks darned, his shirt clean, his buttons on, his coat brushed, his home neat, his meals on time and tasty, the fire burning brightly, the lamps shining, and the eggs and butter unfailingly ready for market. He was dumbly conscious of the tenderness that gave touches, pathetic in effort, to make something out of nothing, to his meagerly furnished farmhouse. But he drew the line there. He couldn't abide scenes. He didn't want Susanna to "go to acting like a fool."

He had been a "fool" once in his courting days; but it didn't take long to cure him of "spooning," and after a few spells of crying and "takin' on," Susanna had drawn into her shell all the little offending tendrils of affection, and settled down to live "so, so, hum drum, and drudge, drudge." She had her own thoughts about it all that often sent her into her closet to weep alone, and then to pray, and at last to become pathetically used to it, and to expect nothing better. She was observant enough to see that hers was the common lot of far too many farmers' wives. Shannon's wife was the only exception. Shannon never got over being a lover; and though Noles and he were about of an age, he still called his wife "rosebud," "tily," and "flower," and was just as much of a "fool" in his sixties as he had been in his twenties. Well, once, Shannon had been in love with Susanna. Old Noles thought of this as he slowly read over an advertisement of a certain paper that asked for the confirmation or disapproval of the following statements: "The farmer's wife is the hardest-worked, poorest-paid, meanest-dressed, poorest-privileged, least-loved woman in her home, in all the occupations and trades."

Noles dropped the paper in sheer astonishment and looked up at "mother" with startled eyes. For once, his imagination got the better of him, and she seemed to sit in contrast with the world of women, and especially in contrast with Shannon's wife.

Mother sat by the lamp, just as she had sat for forty years of an evening. Noles looked at her,—a poor, withered, little, old woman, with thin gray hair, screwed back into a little tight knot behind her wrinkled face; dim eyes, that peered through a pair of

cheap, steel-bowed glasses (Shannon's wife had gold-bowed spectacles); bowed form; poor hands, misshapen by hard work and rheumatism, that were diligently knitting at a stocking for his foot. She did not notice his gaze; but kept steadily knitting a way, and he saw the look of patient endurance, disappointed hopes, and ruined dreams in her face. Once in awhile a little sigh escaped her as she knit in and out.

Noles could not help contrasting her with Shannon's wife, who was a plump, rosy body; who laughed in a comfortable way, as if she did not know what it meant to be cast down. He had been over to Shannon's that very day and found Mrs. Shannon looking so dressed up in the parlor, reading from the latest magazine to Shannon, who was stretched on a couch before the grate. They both seemed so different from them. There seems to be such a merry comradeship between them, such a poking of fun at each other; and when Shannon left her to go with him to the store in the village he had given her a ten-dollar bill for a new dress, and actually had kissed her good-by, "like an old fool." Noles almost blushed thinking of it, and remembered how he wished he had been out of doors.

Well, he kept looking at "mother." It had been which and tother between him and Shannon in her young days. He smiled grimly; for he had won, and when the chase was over, and the conquest made, what had there been left to do that he had not done? What a merry piece she had been then! How pretty and young and bright! But how soon the roses of youth had flown from her cheeks. Why, he remembered hearing someone say, only a year or so after they had been married, "You two are regular old folks already. Why don't you spruce up, and join us in social ways?"

Noles thought it had been a tough struggle from the beginning with fast-coming family, misfortunes, and plans that went awry. He had not thought of her; he had believed himself the toiler, burden-bearer, and martyr in the whole affair.

He picked up the paper, and read again the startling lines, and thought over the meaning of every phrase. It began with "hardest-worked." Mother was always up early,—half-past four in summer, half-past five in winter. When had he ever seen her idle? The household cares had been many,—six children, (married, thank goodness;) bread to bake, butter to churn, meals to prepare, clothes to contrive, rents to mend, stockings to darn, house to keep, washing and ironing to do, chickens, pigs and sheep to look after,—law, yes! it had been trot, trot, trot, trot, day in and day out, early and late.

"Man's work lasts from sun to sun;

Woman's work is never done."

"Poorest-paid." He had never given her a dollar to do as she pleased with since they had been married. What of that? She had clothes and food and shelter. What more did she want? Ahem! It was something to be thankful for to be furnished with a living, in times like these. Noles stopped. "That air won't pass muster," he said to himself. "She's earned as much as I have, and worked longer hours, and she hain't had her dues. Its a doggoned shame. I saw Shannon giving his wife an X today fur a new dress. Mother 'd think 'kingdom come had come' if I gave her an X for a new dress."

"Meanest-dressed." "When has she had a new dress? That thing she's wearin' is a turned-over dress she bought ten years ago tying comfortables for Mis' Hicks, who was goin' to git married. Mean, old miserly sinner!" said Noles, in his mind. "Meanest-dressed,"—wall, I guess that's so. She hain't got a dress that's fit for a dog show, and she hain't ever been to any kind of show since she married me.

"Poorest-privileged." "Humph! Spouse that means that she hasn't had things up-to-date. Well, it's so. Haven't I hedged her off, time and time again, when she wanted to go to camp-meetin'? Didn't I keep her from them free lectures in town, because I thought more of my hawses than I did o' her? Come to think of it, that woman hain't had nothin' she wanted sence the year 1. I took the money she saved from gatherin' eggs, and put it into machinery, when she wanted furniture. That's a good specimen of the way I've dealt with her. Hain't that a beautiful business arrangement! She hain't had nothin' but my society, and the children's, and the dumb beasts, since I vowed to love her forever. I hain't took a paper she cared for. The County Republican is a man's paper. I did sub-

scribe fur a chicken paper, so she'd know how to keer fur the hens. I never read a woman's paper in the world, to know how to keer fur her. Confound it all! but the whole posse of it is about right."

"Least-loved." Noles read it slowly, and looked at mother. Sure enough! When had he ever given her a word of praise or endearment? Hadn't he shoved her off when she wanted to caress and pet him, and starved her tender heart? She looked starved. There was always that gentle, timid submission to his will, that tender thoughtfulness of his wants, and if he had only encouraged it, there would have been the same love-making and merriment between them that there was between Shannon and his wife. Now they sat silent in each other's company, and felt embarrassed for something to say.

All at once Noles discovered that two streams of water were coming from his eyes. He blew his nose hard, and wiped his eyes, and betrayed himself by a little hoarse sob.

Mother looked up over the top of her glasses at him, and said, gently, "Why, father! what's the matter? Be you a takin' cold?"

"No, mother, I'm a takin' what I deserve, and I reckon it would have been better for you if you had married Shannon. I've been a poor stick of a husband."

Mother had often thought so herself; but she could not endure it to see father feeling bad, it was so odd, so strange. "There, there," she said, soothingly; "we won't think about it. It can't be helped, and I don't 'spose you can help it. Didn't 'spose, though, that you'd keer if you didn't quite come up to a woman's wishes."

"Well, I do keer. I've been a brute to you."

"Oh, no, you hain't. I've had lots to be thankful fur. You've never come home drunk, nor used tobacco, nor swore at me, nor given me a blow. You mustn't call yourself sich awful names."

"Say, mother," Noles came near her, and dropped on his knees before her. "It's a late awakening; but if you'll forgive me, I'll start over. I'll try Shannon's plan. Say, mother," his voice grew tremulous and tender, and he forced the knitting from her busy hands, "you've been a good dear, precious wife to me. You've had reason enough to make you think that I didn't love you; but somethings have come to me to night that have made me see you as you are, and I've been a viewin' things as I would if you were in your coffin. I couldn't bear to think of losin' you. My old, patient, precious darling, will you forgive me, and we'll start over agin on the Shannon plan."

"Why, father! bless me! I—I—d—n—o—o—I!" and with that mother dropped on her knees beside Noles and wound her old arms about his neck, and cried out, "I haven't been as good and patient as you've thought. I've felt bitter to you. I've argued against you in my mind, and called you selfish, and mean, and stingy, and hard-hearted. O, husband! will you forgive me?"

"I've deserved it all, mother; but we'll see how it'll turn out on the Shannon plan, my flower."

Mother buried her head in Noles' breast, and sobbed, sobbed, sobbed, and she didn't sob all alone, either. Their two hearts were melted, and the old, bitter brine flowed away till a fountain of love's sweetness refreshed their hearts.

There was some one else that Noles realized he had wounded by his heartlessness, and so they set up the family altar he had "poohed" at long ago, when his bride had wished to have evening worship, and

"Heaven came down their souls to greet,
And glory crowned the mercy-seat."

Noles was in dead earnest; and when Christmas morning came around, there was found a pile of shining gold in mother's stocking, and papers that gave her a half-interest in everything; and beside her stocking was a great bundle of new goods to replenish her wardrobe.

Such a happy little woman as she was! It seemed that the wrinkles smoothed out themselves, the dim eyes brightened, the roses bloomed in the faded face, and mother went springing and singing round the house as she had in her youth.

"The best of it all is," said mother, with a little sob, "that I'm not afraid to hug you as much as I like, you dear, old bear! I feel better about that than all the fine things I have." Then mother broke clear down, and father had "to maka a fool" of himself comforting her.

Mother testified in prayer-meeting that she was liv-

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THEOBROMA—FOOD FOR THE GODS

The Epicure's Delight—Chocolate. The Cocoa Bean of Commerce

By J. B. COURSEN

LIKE the noble Red man, Indian corn, the potato, and many other things highly esteemed by millions, the cocoa bean of commerce is a native American and has delightfully tickled more epicurean palates the world over than has any other product indigenous to American soil. Though a tropical plant, cocoa is distinctively American and was originally found only in countries of North and South America and the islands adjacent thereto, notably the West Indies. So surpassingly delightful to the human palate are the various decoctions and confections produced from the cocoa bean of commerce, it was necessary not only to go abroad but to go back through the long centuries to the aesthetic ancient Grecians to find a name fitly to describe this truly Columbian gift to humanity—*Theobroma*, food for the gods. If the delicious cocoa and chocolate we eat and drink with so much pleasure be truly food fit for the gods, is it to be wondered at that the lovelorn youth of all lands feed chocolate bon bons so freely to the fair feminine divinities at whose shrines they pay devoted homage each Sunday evening—and oftentimes oftener? Then too those thus worshipped who dwell in the occident, may not only have the satisfaction that they are partaking of food fit for the gods, but also that they are pledging their loyalty anew, with each succeeding bon bon, to their native land—Greater America, both North and South.

One of the anomalies of literature is the rare poetic reference made therein to either chocolate or cocoa. When pause is made to consider how intimately associated these two tropical products have been with the antics of the coy little god, Cupid, it seems almost incredible that the muses have not caused some of the world's great poets to pay frequent rhapsodic tribute thereto. Diligent search in a public library in one of America's large cities failed to show that any great American or English bard has ever sung the praises of either cocoa or chocolate. The only reference made to either of these soothing and delicious compounds by a poet of the first rank was by Pope and that was merely incidental and not in eulogy. The only poem discovered in which a deliberate attempt was made in this line was one written by Francis Saltus-Saltus, a versatile New York versifier who was born in 1850 and died in 1889, not long after inditing the following ditty extolling the qualities of chocolate:

"Liquid delectable, I love thy brown
Deep-glimmering color like a wood nymph's tress;
Potent and swift to urge on love's excess,
Thou wert most loved in the fair Aztechtown.

"Where Cortes, for Iberia's crown,
First found thee, and with rough and soldier guess,
Pronounced thy virtues of rare worthiness
And fit by Madrid's dames to gain renown."

Robert Louis Stevenson, the great and much beloved English novelist-poet, who introduced cacao culture

into Samoa referred to the subject once in a letter, written by him Dec. 7, 1891, but not in verse, in the following terms: "I have been forbidden to work, and have been instead doing my two or three hours in the plantation every morning. I only wish some one would pay me £10 a day for taking care of cacao, and I would leave literature for others." This statement is important, not so much for what it says about cacao, as for the inference to be deduced therefrom that Stevenson was accustomed, when in health, to make a good round \$50 a day as a writer of good literature. The only other reference to the output of the cacao tree by a prose writer of international fame, was by F. Marion Crawford, whose writings, by the way were greatly admired by Stevenson. In his "Mr. Isaac's," one of Crawford's characters was made to say: "I ate a little chocolate, from my supply, well knowing the miraculous sustaining powers of the simple little block."

Here then we have an almost virgin field for aspiring poetic genius to enter. Why may not some lovelorn swain or ardent maiden sweetly indwelt by countless chocolate bon bons, take the wings of Pegasus, soar aloft, light upon a cacao tree and there compose a truly heroic epic setting forth the great deeds and brave, the battles fought and won, through the inspiration afforded by these dark hued sweets incomparable and this liquid delectable?" In view of the increasing abundance of these delightful compounds and the great scarcity of poetic tributes thereto, would it not



Pods and Beans

were made of the small end of the cocoa-nut. The tree, sir, bears a beautiful rose-colored blossom, that produces a long pod, resembling our cucumber; in that pod we find the cacao imbedded—a multitude of oval pits, about the size of shelled almonds, and surrounded by a white acid pulp. Now, sir, this pulp produces a very refreshing drink in the tropics, called vino cacao, or cacao-wine, which is more esteemed there than the beverage we make from the berries. Chocolate is made of the cacao berries slightly roasted triturated in water; a certain degree of heat is necessary in its preparation. The best we have comes from Caracas."

"Chocolate was introduced into Spain by Fernando Cortez; to this day it is in Spain what coffee is to France, or tea to England, the pet beverage of all classes of people. The Spaniards, sir, do not use milk in preparing it, nor do the South Americans. In certain South American countries where meat is not common a cup of chocolate supplies the necessary nutriment, and a breakfast of cacao and fruit, sir, is satisfying and delicious. Arbutinot says it is rich, alimentary, and anodyne. In Spain it is served up in beautiful cups of filagree work, made in the shape of tulips or lilies, with leaves that fold over the top by touching a spring. These leaves are to protect it from the flies. The ladies are so fond of it that they have it sent after them to church; this the bishops interdicted for awhile; that only made it more desirable."

Not only did this custom prevail in Spain in the last century, but it obtained in Mexico in Cathedral towns shortly after the time of Cortez. Indeed, it is related that a bishop at Chiapa in those early days was actually poisoned to death by drinking a potion of poisoned chocolate that had been sent him by an irate dame,

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be a splendid stroke of business for one of the great manufacturers of cocoa and chocolate to offer handsome prizes for the best poems which users of these deliciously delectable concoctions may produce. Thereby may not only great advantage accrue to an important industry but signal additions be made to the choice literature of the world. For the benefit of possible competitors it might be timely to suggest that chocolate can be made to rhyme nicely with mate, late, Kate, pate, fate, late, trait, skate, wait, gate (the garden gate), bate (not fish bate), and many other words having more or less of poetic possibilities. Then, too, the word cocoa rhymes nicely with any word ending in the sound of long o, such as polo, follow, hollow (used to describe the heads of foreign dukes who get away with American heiresses), mellow, fellow, and as to places, Cairo, Omro, Opporto, Oswego, Chicago, and other cities of unusual culture and refinement.

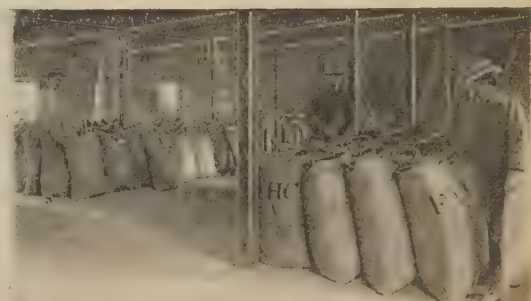
Though the subject under consideration has been given but little attention in the realm of literature, it has its place in the history of modern civilization and indeed, has a history of its own not to be despised.

Fred S. Cozzens in a bright and chatty volume published in 1867, makes a much traveled and observant Dr. Bushwacher give the following interesting facts regarding the discovery and the use later of the products of the cocoa tree:

"I will tell you all about it. Chocolate, or as the great Linaeus used to call it, 'Theobroma,'—food for the gods—is a most peculiar preparation. It is made of the berries of the cacao, sir, a small tree indigenous to Mexico and South and Central America. We misname the berry cocoa, because the jicaros, or native cups in which the cocoa was drunk by the Mexicans,



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Inspecting Room

AMONG OUR FLOWERS

Early-Blooming Shrubs and Trees

By Florence Beckwith

DURING the long and dreary winter, we of the northern clime have to content ourselves with whatever semblance of summer we can compass indoors by our house plants, and with the red branches and berries of the shrubs which we may have providently planted within the range of our outlook out-of-doors.

Under such conditions, we look longingly forward to the springtime, to the coming of the flowers, and the earliest blooming species are most warmly greeted. When the downy pussy willows appear we give them glad welcome, for they are harbingers of the gayer blossoms that will soon follow them.

The bright scarlet blossoms of the Japan quince and the yellow-wreathed branches of the forsythia are quite common on our lawns, and different species of magnolias are occasionally seen, but there are other early-blooming shrubs and trees which are not so well known, but which are deserving of cultivation.

Some of our native shrubs cannot be exceeded for beauty, but how seldom do we see them except where nature planted them, or in the parks. The feathery sprays of the shadbush are as charming against a background of evergreens as they are on the edge of the forest, and the conspicuous white blossoms of the flowering dogwood stand out with majestic beauty wherever you see them. The blossoms of the wild crab apple are simply charming, and their fragrance is exquisite. All of these shrubs are easy of cultivation and they would adorn any grounds.

Cornus mascula, (the cornelian cherry) though introduced into America many years ago, is not often seen in our gardens. It is classed as a shrub, but it sometimes reaches the height of fifteen feet. In the early spring the slender branches are completely covered with small, bright yellow flowers, which appear before the foliage. The compact clusters of blossoms extend the whole length of the branches and give the bush a very striking appearance. Being one of our earliest bloomers, it is very desirable for ornamental planting; later it has showy red fruit.

Peaches are most generally prized by us for their fruit-bearing qualities, but there are some double-flowering varieties cultivated for ornamental purposes that are very beautiful. Some of these produce large double white flowers in great profusion about the usual time of peach flowering; others have rich rose-colored blossoms.

Prunus Davidiana is one of the most beautiful of the double-flowering peaches. It is of Chinese origin, though found later in Japan and some other oriental countries. It was first brought to the especial attention of botanists by Abbe David, from whom it takes its name. The tree resembles the common peach in habit of growth, though the leaves are smaller and the branches slender and willow-like. The flowers appear very early, much in advance of the common peach, and even before the native shadbush. The blossoms are pink and white, double, and slightly fragrant. They are borne in the greatest possible profusion on branches of the previous season's growth. The tree is perfectly hardy here in Rochester, N. Y., and when in bloom is a most attractive sight, blossoming as it does in the very earliest springtime when all other trees are bare and leafless. When better known it is certain to become a favorite.

The plums, too, have some very desirable early-blooming, ornamental varieties. *Prunus triloba*, a Chinese shrub, with three-lobed leaves and somewhat spreading branches, is much admired. It adapts itself both to northern and southern climates and will flourish in almost any soil and situation. It grows from four to six feet high, with numerous slender branches, which, in early spring, before the foliage appears, are completely covered from end to end with double, light pink blossoms about an inch across.

By most people the cherries are ranked among fruit trees, rather than among the ornamental trees and shrubs. In nearly all

the species the flowers are single, white, and borne in early spring. In some of the more recently introduced Asiatic forms, however, the flowers are double and rose-colored or pink. It is largely through these varieties that the cherries have become better known and valuable for ornamental planting. All cherry blossoms are beautiful, and these Asiatic varieties are particularly so.

Prunus sinensis flora plena is one of the finest double-flowering species. The tree is a native of China and grows to a height of twenty to twenty-five feet, in good form. It is perfectly hardy here in Rochester, where some fine specimens are growing. The large white flowers, resembling miniature roses, appear in great numbers along the stems and branches. A tree twenty-five feet tall covered with these masses of blossoms is a magnificent sight.

A number of fine varieties of these ornamental cherries have come from Japan. Some have double and others single blossoms; some are pure white and others light pink deepening to a rosy blush. Some of the double varieties have blossoms measuring two inches or more in diameter. The double white and the double pink varieties planted together make charming groups. It is not surprising that the finest ornamental cherries have come from Japan, for no other people take such interest in cherry culture as the Japanese. Of all flowers these are esteemed by them the most beautiful, and they celebrate their blooming with the greatest enthusiasm. All classes of society, the rich and the poor, the old and the young are enthusiastic admirers of the cherry flowers. The trees are planted in groups in the parks and the temple groves, and along the principal streets and roads. They are grown singly and in clusters in the gardens, and dwarfed and grown in pots.

The trees bloom during the balmy month of April. The people collect in gayly dressed throngs under the

pink clouds of the cherry blossoms and give themselves up to merrymaking. In Tokio, a street called Moko-jima and Ueno Park are especially noted for the beauty of their cherry trees, and on pleasant days these places are visited by tens of thousands of people bent solely on enjoyment. All classes and ages mingle here in holiday attire, a good-natured and orderly throng, perhaps the happiest gathering that the world ever sees, for they have banished care and think only of the beauty of the cherry blossoms and the enjoyment of the present moment.

The cherry blossoms also usher in a series of private festivals, which high officials and those who enjoy the possession of cherry groves give to their friends. Even his Imperial Majesty, the Mikado, issues a mandate to the effect that on a certain day, if it does not rain, he and the empress will give a cherry-blossom festival in one of the imperial parks. Large, handsome cards inviting the guests are issued several days beforehand. The guests comprise all high officials of the government down to a certain rank; the diplomatic corps; foreign employees of the government at the capital who receive a salary of 300 yen or more per month; high officers of the army and navy; and representative officers of foreign war vessels which happen to be in Yokohama harbor at the time.

All this in honor of the blooming of the cherry trees. It makes some of us Americans envy the Japanese the life which enables all the population of a city to lay care and work aside and flock to the gardens and parks and enjoy the beauties of nature. As a people, we Americans are so practical, so given up to the pursuit of wealth, that we have almost entirely neglected the cultivation of a love for the beautiful. But there are some true nature lovers in every community, and the heaven is working, for in our own city the announcement that the lilacs are in bloom is sufficient to bring thousands of visitors to our favorite park, and even our trolley companies are taking advantage of the spirit and advertising the beauties of their suburban lines which run through some of the noted orchard regions of western New York. And truly anything more beautiful than an apple orchard in full bloom, or more exquisite than the individual blossoms cannot be conceived. Every city dweller should take a trip out into the country in apple-blooming time, and those who are so fortunate as to have a home with surrounding orchards should be truly thankful that their lines are cast in such pleasant places. And, possibly, before many generations, we may come to have a love of beauty and simplicity equal to that of the Japanese, and have our festivals of flowers.

How She Entertained One Busy Afternoon

By Ethel L. McLeod

It was a beautiful afternoon in early summer, that Mrs. Ashleigh came in just as her friend, Mrs. Barclay, was putting on her bonnet and gloves, preparatory to going out to the flower garden.

"Just come on," said Mrs. Barclay. "I have been so busy all week that I promised myself an hour or so among my flowers, and they certainly need me. You can sit in the shade near me, and I can talk as I work."

"That suits me well," answered Mrs. Ashleigh, "for I believe every one needs more out-door air any way. If I could only have flowers like you," she continued, wistfully, "I would think time well spent among them. You seem to have such good luck. I know I try to make mine grow, I water them every day."

"Perhaps you water them too much," suggested Mrs. Barclay.

"Too much?" asked her friend, in astonishment. "I did not know you could water them too much."

"Yes, indeed, you can. Now I find this a very useful watering can," laughingly said Mrs. Barclay.

"Watering can! I would call that a hoe, and you are going among them just as if they were beans and cabbage."

"Exactly, and if you stir the soil occasionally and keep the weeds out, just as



Prunus Davidiana

you do your more homely plant friends, beans, corn and cabbage, they will not take much more water than vegetable plants do, and when you do water, don't take a gallon of water and sprinkle half an acre, but pour on a good sized bucketful toward evening when the sun is not shining on them. Soak them well and as soon as the top dries, stir them a little so the ground will not bake."

"Just look how you have broken that beautiful geranium," exclaimed Mrs. Ashleigh. "Almost all the great limbs off of it."

"Yes," said Mrs. Barclay, "if you will notice they get long and leggy if they are not trimmed back. In a few days these new shoots will be almost covered with bloom, and I don't trim all at once, but here and there, so it will not be so noticeable. See! you can hardly tell it, and yet just look how much I took off. When I was a little girl, an old lady often came to our house who used to say, when she especially admired any flower, that she thought it needed pulling off, and whenever I see a geranium long and spindling, with an occasional green leaf, and a poor specimen of a blossom on the tips, I, too, feel as if it needs pulling off. You must remember, too, not to crowd them. Often after they get well started, one has to thin them out. Spasmodic attention does not meet with much success either, but eternal vigilance; that is, notice them a little each day, just at odd moments, and you will never miss the time, for they will attract your attention and refresh you for less pleasant duties."

"I believe I understand you," answered Mrs. Ashleigh. "Just use a little judgment and sprinkle with common sense."

"That's the gist of it," she assented.

"All right: I think I will try again, although I had become somewhat discouraged, I certainly have enjoyed my 'kinder garden' exercise this afternoon and my call has proven profitable as well as pleasant."

A Few Hints on Roses

By Emma Johnson

A rose garden must have shelter but must not have shade. If it can not have sunshine all day, choose a place where it can have it in the morning rather than in the afternoon. It is well also to have it slightly sheltered by a hedge or clump of shrubbery, and slightly sloping surface is better than a dead level. A sharp slope is better terraced. The steps of the terraces are excellent places for many of the climbing and creeping roses. The best soil in which to raise roses is a rich clay loam, mellow and well drained, and naturally under-drained for roses do not like wet feet. So if the sub-soil is a hard clay, some sort of under draining is imperative. Hybrid perpetuals thrive best in a



Among Her Flowers

rather heavy soil mixed with one-half of rotten manure. Teas and their Hybrids like earth, something lighter, and rather prefer warm feeding and also quite a little sand. But shifting dirty sand is death to roses of all kinds, although June roses and wildroses will grow anywhere that a thistle can thrive. Planting time is a matter of meridians. Below the thirty-fifth parallel, the best season is from September to December, and above that line they do best between mid-April and mid-June. Either in spring or fall planting remove the top soil if it is poor and cold. See whether the bed needs to be underlaid with a foot of broken stone. Of course that all depends on the soil. If it is porous and easily spaded up you can spade it all over and let it remain. But if at the least provocation it grows oozy why take at least a foot of it away and replace it with pieces of crocks and broken stones. Now put in the top soil mixed with its own bulk of rotten manure. Cow manure is the best; next the refuse of pig pens and hen houses, but use the last named a little sparingly, because it is stronger than others. But if it is composted with fallen leaves it makes the best kind of a fertilizer. It must stand for some time and be spaded over three or four times. Finish your bed with about six inches of rich new soil; one-third of loam, one third of leaf mold, and one-third of rotten manure is a good combination. Pile it slightly in the middle of the bed, and leave the edges an inch lower than the turf around it and when the roses are set out they will be insured against drought and puddling.

A Bed of Sweet Williams

By L. Eugenie Williams

A bed of Sweet Williams is "a thing of beauty" and hence "a joy forever." To secure this perpetual pleasure one must begin right.

First, the ground for sowing the seed must be spaded and hoed and mellowed and mellowed with good dressing worked in. And the second requisite is good seed.

Given these conditions, if poor results follow, it must be the fault of the gardener, be he amateur or professional.

I marked off a generous space of a good sized flower bed and prepared the soil as described. I sowed the seed in early summer, although as late as August will give a good start the first year. Sow the seed quite thickly all over or in drills. I prefer the latter. It will germinate quite quickly in the warm, well-stirred soil.

I have at this writing (April) rows of fine plants from last summer's (June) sowing. They are green and strong but were protected through cold weather, otherwise would probably have been winter-killed in our New England climate.

I have removed a portion of the covering and as soon as the sun shines warm and bright and the air

grows mild, I shall wholly uncover, giving them free chance to grow. The covering should be light litter rather than heavy dressing, as the Sweet William is really quite hardy and will resent too much coddling.

They do not need nursing like many seedlings but grow right along and early in the second summer after sowing begin to bud and bloom in fine, stiff clusters, rich and varied in coloring.

The Sweet William is an old-fashioned flower. It belongs to grandmother's garden, yet the modern florist may share it. The largest, loveliest garden for miles in circuit near my home recently made Sweet Williams a specialty. And oh, weren't they beauties, when they began to bloom. Everybody that saw them wanted Sweet Williams. Everybody meant to have some "next year."

From deepest, velvety garnet, almost black, to clear, pure white the colors ranged. Nothing the garden held that year received the admiration given the Sweet Williams, and when a generous quantity of the seed was bestowed upon me, I set about studying their habits resolving I would cultivate them. The Sweet William is among the easiest flowers to grow from seed, useful in bouquets, distinct, hardy, and unique. Start out for a bed. You will not regret it.

Great men may be, as Dr. Smiles says, "exceptional men," but not one has ever been an exception to the rule, "There is no excellence without great labor."

Four Gems

By Alonzo Rice

The King's Sword

"The blade's too short," the craven guard replied.
The king's son started forward, bold and bluff;
"No sword's too short for one who's brave," he cried;
"Advance one step, 'twill then be long enough!"

Flowers and Fruit

We love but seldom that which is not fair
As well as good; and so our taste to suit,
Dame Nature always puts a blossom there,
Before she does the fruit!

Contentment

A gift the roses wished at early dawn,
And thorns were given them and then they cried;
They wept until they saw the feeding fawn
Devour defenseless lilies by their side!

Home

No cumberance of unmeaning lands be mine,
Just the enchantment of that wilding place,
And sown by random winds with leaf and vine,
Where I may see at eventide her face!

Be Broken

By Frank W. Howe

Broken threads are in the weaving
Of the fateful loom of life;
Broken hearts are sad with grieving,
Pain with mystery is rife.

So the thread must oft be broken
Ere the pattern be complete,
And the heart-quake finds its token
In the bitter fount made sweet.

Broken hopes uplift the building
Of the chastened hall of love;
Broken lives, perchance, the gilding
Of its vaulted dome above.

But the Builder joins the pieces,
In his work of finished grace.
We shall see, when darkness ceases,
Broken lives have found their place.

THE WAY ONE WOMAN WON

Editor's Foreword—Many requests come to us from time to time from our readers for practical suggestions which can be used to advantage by the woman in the home as a means of adding to the family income or to reduce the family expenses, and at the same time, to utilize such spare time as is not taken up by their household duties. In fact, so many such requests have come as to lead us seriously to consider the advisability of adding a time-saving, money-making department, asking our readers to contribute to it such suggestions as may have come under their observation—such plans as they may know to have been tried with success. As an experiment in this line we have asked Miss Pearl Merwin, whose success as a teacher of dressmaking is a matter of general note, to give our readers the benefit of how she "got her start." As a rule, those who have attained any marked degree of success, especially where it has been gained somewhat out of the beaten path, jealously guard the secret of their success as a miser guards his gold. It is their stock in trade—their capital stock. Not so with Miss Merwin. When once our representative secured an audience with her—she is a very busy woman—her only comment on this point was, "If the brief rehearsal of my modest work thus far will prove of any value either by inspiration or direct suggestion to your large family of women readers, I am quite sure they are welcome to it, and if anything I may say will be helpful to those who are ambitious and striving to better their condition in life, I shall feel amply repaid."

THERE is really nothing about my work but what any ambitious woman of average intelligence, fair education, and sufficient ambition, pluck, and capacity for work can duplicate. Yes, I must confess that I have always been accredited with having more or less of a natural talent for dressmaking, but I don't think that is at all essential to a woman's success in doing all the sewing for her family, and home community as well, for that matter. Certainly a 'knack' at the trade and being, as we say, 'handy with the needle' is decidedly to one's advantage. But what woman has not instinctively a tendency to a greater or less extent in this direction? Of course, the 'know how' is necessary, without which, natural talent, a love for the work, ambition, perseverance and all that, cannot of themselves alone bring success. A certain amount of technical knowledge and training is necessary, and the wise will put forth every possible effort to acquire it.

tions, as any other tendency implanted by the Creator, within our being.

Are Dressmakers Natural Born

"Poets are born, not made." But how about dressmakers? So are they, and natural-born at that, or most of them, I think. The trouble is, I fear, we are prone to give this matter of natural-bornness undue prominence in accounting for our success or failure. I think it is too much harped upon—too often blamed for failure, whereas lack of equipment, energy, and effort on our part are more often the cause. Every woman is by nature endowed with certain characteristic tastes—a sense of the proper fitness of things which, enables her to discern and know at a glance such things as harmony of color and outline as applied to dress. The only difference among us is in the degree to which we are graced by nature with this feminine faculty.

"I know there are so-called 'natural-born' dressmakers—women who are natively possessed of this quality to a very marked degree. But I also know that the majority of us are capable of learning much more than natural instinct alone teaches us." I am further persuaded by general observation and personal acquaintance that the greater part of the knowledge that most dressmakers possess is acquired knowledge rather than mother-wit. The wild rose is natural born but it cannot compare in form and color with the American Beauty, which is a cultivated rose. Helen Keller was a natural born mute—blind, deaf, and dumb,—but by proper training and effort became a brilliant and accomplished lady, beautiful of soul and feature.

"Nature has done her part for us. The question is, will we do our part and assist nature by improving on ourselves. Genius is nothing more than energy intensified and honest effort properly trained in the right direction. In a word—the native talent which we possess spells success if rightly directed in the proper channels.

A Humble Beginning

"How did I settle upon dressmaking as my life work? As I glance back it seems to have been the most natural thing imaginable. It is much like the case of the boy who whistled in school, and when called to task by his teacher for his innocent indiscretion, in perfect honesty stammered out, 'No,—no, ma'am, I,—I never whistled. It,—it just whistled itself.' I don't think I could have done anything else quite so successfully had I tried, although I might have done as well in some other line of work. The fact is I demonstrated the truth of the statement, at least to my own satisfaction, that it is best to follow one's natural inclination in learning a profession. I do not think I could have let dressmaking entirely alone had I wanted to do so, and in this work I think I have found my professional 'affinity' and would not be happy at anything else.

"From childhood I always aspired to become a finished and artistic dressmaker. As a girl in school all the studies which underlie the science and art of dressmaking, such as drawing, designing, color, and observation work, had a deep fascination for me. While still a young girl at home the responsibility of making my younger sisters' and brothers' clothing fell to me. How I delighted in designing and drafting little patterns for them, and how careful I was that every stitch should be in the right place and that each garment should fit as well as if it were for a grown person!



Miss Pearl Merwin

"About that time I was brought, by the loss of a parent, face to face with the stern realities of life. I then found it necessary to cast about for an honorable means of livelihood. I had had no opportunity of either receiving instruction or apprenticeship in dressmaking. What little I knew about it was only that which I had managed to 'pick up' by observation. How could I use my natural talent to the best advantage to bring in the largest and most immediate returns? I knew I could not expect the wealthy to trust their costly gowns to me. After trying many other plans, I struck on the following, which proved to be the turning point in my life.

"I knew I could do one thing and do it well—make children's clothing. Living at that time in a small city, I put an announcement in one of the papers that I would receive sewing for children. The response was slow at first, until the work began to speak for itself. The public school became my best advertising field. Mothers became interested because their children made them so. What mother has not a natural pride in her girls and desires not to see them at least as well dressed, if not a bit better, than their playmates? What mother's heart can refuse to respond to the plea so often heard, 'Mamma, I wish I could have pretty dresses like the other girls?' And what mother will not make every sacrifice possible, oftentimes even depriving herself of actual necessities, to gratify this natural craving—the first evidence of approaching young womanhood? I use the term 'natural craving' advisedly because we women all know that the desire to appear to the best advantage at all times and places is just as natural as any other trait of the feminine heart and that it begins to manifest itself very early in life, and that it is as much our duty to recognize and cultivate it, within proper limitations, as any other tendency implanted by the Creator, within our being.

Making Children's Clothing

"The surprising thing of it all to me was the prevalent inability on the part of mothers, especially young mothers, to make their own children's clothing, at least, to make them tastily. And so the work began to pile in upon me until I had to secure help to do the plain sewing, giving all my time to designing and management. In a short time I had an established business. My success with children's clothing brought the adult and fancy trade which I knew I was not then equipped to handle. I found that I must prepare myself, as the way seemed to be opening up for the realization of my early ambitions.

"I commenced at once a scientific study of the various systems of dressmaking. All of these I thoroughly mastered with the result that I have probably studied more systems than any other one dressmaker. I have found a great lack of uniformity as to system among dressmakers. I do not believe there is another trade or profession in which there is so much confusion and so little conformity to any one plan as in dressmaking.

"Every dressmaker has 'her own way' of doing things, and there are too often no two alike in the same establishment. Every day I receive letters from good dressmakers who have experienced the embarrassment of being told they know little about certain points in dressmaking when entering a new position, simply because they did not happen to use the same methods their new employer did. Dressmakers have long been agreed that there should be a universal system. Such a system must be at once rational, practical, simple, and easily adapted to fashion changes.

"With this idea in mind I called into consultation some of the most widely known dressmakers. Using only the best elements of all the old systems, I struck out on entirely new and original lines, and the reception being accorded, the product of my labors is surpassing my most sanguine hopes. Indeed, so enthusiastically is this system being received that it has already been introduced into the domestic science departments of a number of leading industrial schools of the country and bids fair to become the one recognized and universal system of America—hence its name."

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THE AUTHOR OF THIS COURSE

Our readers will be interested to learn of the signal success of a western woman who had the initiative to test a new and somewhat unique idea—teaching dressmaking by correspondence. Only a few years ago, Miss Pearl Merwin, now supervisor of the American College of Dressmaking, was modestly but successfully, doing such sewing as came to her from her friends, as a natural result of the merits of her work. A college-bred woman herself, she conceived the idea of putting her knowledge and experience into the hands of those less favored, by crystalizing it into a series of lessons which could easily and successfully be taught by mail. She commenced advertising in a small way, until the practicability of the idea was fully demonstrated. Her advertising may now be seen in all of the leading magazines. She has over 5,000 students and graduates throughout the country, and the product of her pen is widely sought. She is a striking example of the new woman—not, however, of the mannish sort—who has "come up out of the ranks" largely by her own efforts, and that by confining her work wholly within the generally conceded province of feminine endeavor.—Clipped from the December, 1907, issue of "Human Life," published at Boston, Mass.

A SUCCESSFUL GRADUATE'S OPINION

MISS PEARL MERWIN, Supervisor, Kansas City, Mo., Jan. 15, 1908.
American College of Dressmaking, Kansas City, Mo.

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One of the best patterns for a Ladies' knock about skirt, is 2280. It is a fifteen-gored model, with an inverted box-plait at the centre-back seam, and side plaits below the hips at other seams. It is an excellent model for serge, cheviot, tweed or mixed tailor-suited. If made in any of these materials the trimming should consist of straps made of silk, or bias pieces of the material ornamented with small loops of braid, and either black or fancy buttons. This trimming may be developed from wide mohair braid if desired, or omitted entirely, according to taste. The side plaits in the front are stitched in such a manner as form a box plait, and the model falls in pretty folds around the foot. It also develops well in voile, cashmere or mohair, and is very stylish in cut and outline. For 26 waist the skirt made of material with nap, requires 12 1/4 yards 20 inches wide, 6 3/4 yards 36 inches wide, 5 3/8 yards 42 inches wide, or 4 3/4 yards 54 inches wide; without nap it needs 11 1/4 yards 20 inches wide, 6 yards 36 inches wide, 5 3/8 yards 42 inches wide, or 4 3/4 yards 54 inches wide; 1 1/4 yards of silk 20 inches wide for straps. Width of lower edge about 5 1/2 yards. The pattern 2280 comes in sizes 22, 24, 26, 28, 30, 32 and 34 inches, waist measure.



A stylish and most jaunty little coat, which may be developed in any material, and which would be most appropriate to wear with above mentioned skirt, is 2267. It is a semi-fitting model in three-quarter length and looks particularly well in Venetian cloth, serge, mohair, Panama, covert or granite cloth. The revers, fronts, lower edge, cuffs are bound with black silk braid, and the collar is faced with waterproof black silk or velvet, according to taste. These separate coats are very popular this season made up in dark blue serge, the edges being bound with black or self-colored braid, and are worn with skirts of all descriptions, from those of heavy cloth to those of white linen or pique. For 36 bust the coat requires 5 yards of materials 20 inches wide, 2 3/4 yards 36 inches wide, 2 3/4 yards 42 inches wide, or 1 3/4 yards 54 inches wide; 1/4 yard of velvet 20 inches wide (cut bias) to cover collar and 4 3/4 yards of braid to trim. The pattern 2267 is in 6 sizes, 32, 34, 36, 38, 40 and 42 inches, bust measure.



An attractive shirt-waist for everyday wear, and one that is adaptable to any of the striped French or Viyella flannels, chambray, linen, pique, madras, cotton voile, victoria or Persian lawn, mercerized taffetas, or any of the thin wash silks is the tailor-made model 2287. It is particularly adaptable to the broad shouldered figures. The three shaped tucks tapering towards the waistline give the required fullness to the front and back and the shaped tab-like portions are held in place by flat pearl buttons, which also fasten the waist down the centre-front. The full sleeves are gathered into straight cuffs held in place by button and buttonholes. For 36 bust the shirt-waist requires 4 3/4 yards of material 20 inches wide, 3 1/2 yards 27 inches wide, 2 3/8 yards 36 inches wide,



or 2 1/4 yards 42 inches wide. The pattern 2287 is in 6 sizes, 32, 34, 36, 38, 40 and 42 inches, bust measure.

A pretty shirt-waist for a young girl, and one that will be copied extensively during the coming Summer, is developed in lilac and white checked cotton voile. A group of narrow tucks, either side of the centre box-plait closing, stitched to almost the bustline give the required fullness to the front and the back is plain with the exception of a 3/4 inch tuck which extends over the shoulders and down the front. The neck is finished by a high turn-down white linen collar, and if this was embroidered in lilac dots the effect would be very dainty. The tucked turn-back cuffs either side of the box-plaited closing are finished with narrow fluted ruffles of the material, or of plain lilac lawn. The model would also be adaptable to any of the pretty light colored lawns, handkerchief, or to taffetas, surah, Pekin or rajah silks. For a miss of 15 years the shirt-waist requires 3 3/4 yards of material 20 inches wide, 3 1/4 yards 27 inches wide, 2 3/8 yards 36 inches wide, or 2 yards 42 inches wide; as illustrated 1/2 yard of linen 27 inches wide for collar, and 1/2 yard of material 20 inches wide, 3/8 yard 27 inches wide or 1/4 yard 36 or 42 inches wide, extra, for fluted ruffles. The pattern 2250 is in 3 sizes 13, 15 and 17 years.



Children's dresses have changed very little either in cut or outline since last season and two of the most popular models for the growing girl are the one-piece Russian blouse and the ever-popular jumper frocks worn with a guimpe of lawn, batiste or silk. All of the best features of the latter style are combined in the attractive and useful design of the girl's frock 1923. It is adaptable to Panama cloth, serge, mohair, challis, and of the plain colored or figured dimities, chambrays or cotton voiles, and to linen and victoria lawn. The slashing over the shoulders, as well as the V shaped effect to the front, combine to give the large arm-hole aspect to the pinafore portion, and also the appearance of the two being buttoned together on the shoulder. The full gathered skirt is joined to the waist, under a narrow belt of the material embroidered by hand, or an insertion of blind embroidery may be used, similar insertion trimming the skirt above the hem. The simple little guimpe is of dimity or fine lawn, the collar and narrow cuffs being of one or two bands of narrow embroidery insertion. For a girl of 10 years the dress requires 4 1/2 yards of material 20 inches wide, 2 3/4 yards 36 inches wide, or 2 1/4 yards 42 inches wide, the guimpe needs 3 1/4 yards 18 inches wide, or 1 3/4 yards 36 inches wide, with 4 1/2 yards of insertion to trim. The pattern 1923 is in 4 sizes, 6, 8, 10 and 12 years.



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THE MAN WITH THE RAKE

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HUMAN WELFARE

In the laudable work of making known the "glad tidings" of this latter-day gospel of good deeds, VICK'S MAGAZINE hopes to be in the very front rank, and earnestly seeks the hearty cooperation of

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The editor would be most happy to receive letters from all readers hereof who find themselves in harmony with the platform and policy herein set forth, and who would be glad to cooperate with this magazine and its other readers in some positive, progressive, and well considered concerted effort to promote the common good of all. If interested, do not put it off, but sit down and write us at once what is in your mind and heart on this important subject. Your suggestions and ideas may prove immensely valuable to the grand good cause of Human Welfare.

WELFARE NOTES

A hopeful sign of awakening interest in the good cause of manual education is the introduction in Congress of a most excellent bill by Congressman C. R. Davis, of Minnesota, providing for the making of a sufficient appropriation from the federal treasury as to make possible the establishment of agricultural high schools in all the states of the union. Congressman Davis deserves most hearty commendation not only for introducing this bill, but also for pushing an active campaign in its behalf. This proposition should receive the enthusiastic support of all who wish well for country, state and people.

The New York Charity Organization Society is doing a vast amount of good work in the interest of human welfare through its excellent Committee on the Prevention of Tuberculosis. In a good health number of VICK'S MAGAZINE, which will be published in the not-distant future, the splendid work of this committee and of other similar organizations in battling against man's dread enemy, the "white plague," will be fully described.

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OUR LITTLE MEN AND WOMEN

Spring's Awakening

By Eda W. VonAlten

For the last two months Jack Frost has been making us long visits; but this month we shall have the sun for a longer time each day, so you see it will melt the ice, and then we shall soon have spring. Do you remember how dark it has been in the morning for the last two months? Sometimes we had to eat our breakfast by lamp or gaslight. But the good sun is going to wake up quite a little earlier this month, so the days will be longer, brighter, and warmer. We shall have more time to play outdoors, and what jolly times we shall have! What do you think? Last evening I

green leaves came? They are packed away in these buds; and after the spring rains and sunshine have warmed and watered them, the leafbuds will open, and the pretty green leaf will appear.

This twig is part of a big tree, and has been growing for many years. Before this it was only a tiny seed.

SUGAR MAPLE TREE

Does that make you think of maple sugar? Have you ever seen the farmer tap a sugar maple tree? First he cuts a hole into the tree, just deep enough to reach the sap as it flows; then he puts a little wooden or tin tube into the hole and places a pail under the tube into which the sap flows. He has several



Three Little Owls

By Mrs. Harriet L. B. Rowell

Three little owls sat on a tree, Looking as wise as wise could be. When all of a sudden from out the wood An old owl flew and by them stood In surprise and cowl but without any book. In a voice to be heard in every nook, Began he to preach, All in owl speech, On the duties and morals of owls, oh!

A dear, little boy, who chanced that way, Paused to listen, and heard him say In words full of meaning, in tones clear and strong, Which ever were raised 'gainst evil and wrong: "Tu-whoo, tu-whoo, tu-whoo; All little owls should ever be Good and kind and gentle and true—oo Then when they're grown They will be known As owls who all evils eschew—oo."


read a pretty little story in "In the Child's World" about "The Meeting of the Winds."

They were not very good friends when they met; for they were quarreling, just as two naughty children do sometimes. The North Wind did not want to stop blowing or give up the snow and ice; and the South Wind thought it was time to melt the ice, so the pussy willow and alder could come by the first of May. After boasting for some time about the pretty things they each had in their own home, the North Wind said that he was the strongest, and so must have occasional visits yet this month. The South Wind felt very bad, and thought the spring that was coming was her time, as she had to get the fields ready for the farmer. While they were talking in this way, the River, who had been listening, said, "But why do you quarrel and provoke each other this way? Why not speak gently to each other? You would not change homes, would you?" I know the winds felt very sorry they had been unkind to each other, for they both said they did not mean to be impolite, or hurt each other's feelings.

Just then the doorbell rang, and I was obliged to go to the door; but I know the North and South Winds made up, and promised to be firm friends; for I left them shaking hands. But there is something else we must talk about this month, and that is

THE TREES AND BUDS

You remember the little twigs we put into a bottle of water last week, and set them on the window sill, where they could be in the sunshine. Come now and see what has happened. Do you see the tiny leafbuds, from which the pretty



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The Fine Art of Gardening



BY APP M. SMITH

Make Good Soil for Flowers and Vegetables

Flower and vegetable culture requires always a well-prepared soil, but not one person in ten who attempts to garden ever pays enough attention to this point. They think any kind of manure or fertilizer good enough. Manures with them are like the "coons," that all "look alike." To get the best results, all the manure that goes into the flower or vegetable garden should first be composted and well rotted. In the summer the fresh manure from the barn or poultry house should be composted or mixed up with earth in layers evenly spread out in a frame or box. All the potato-peelings, cabbage leaves, radish tops, and in fact all the green things about the premises should also be incorporated in the pile. The soap suds and dish water should also be poured upon the heap. Keep building it up in layers all through the summer, fall, and winter before it is to be used. Then in the spring you have something when chopped down fine that will make your flowers grow as they never did before. The winter's ashes, if from hard wood, can also be scattered over the heap in layers. It should be scattered over the garden in the spring and plowed under about six or eight inches. Then if you want to indulge in a "hastener" or stimulant to force vegetation a little faster than usual, get some nitrate of soda or some well-prepared commercial fertilizer and dissolve in water and sprinkle over the beds before sowing seed or setting out plants. Coarse manure, fresh from the barn, should never be put on land that is to be used in producing fine flowers or vegetables.

Front Yard Attractions

Some Random Suggestions About How to Make Cheap Flower Gardens

Of course the lady readers of Vick's Magazine intend to have a flower garden this spring. If you have not already commenced to prepare for one, do so now. No home is perfect without one, and though you may not all have the means for indulging in flowers to the extent of some of your neighbors, you may make the home beautiful nevertheless by a very little effort, and at very small expense. To all such persons a few suggestions regarding the selection of seed, and the kinds of flowers to have with the least labor and outlay, should be timely and some assistance just now.

Get Good Seeds

First of all, don't depend upon seeds picked up from old stocks. Many seeds left over from past years are of little value, and always less vigorous in productive power. Buy from reliable seedsmen of wide reputation. As to kinds, first, don't leave out the pansies. They are a veritable "joy forever" in the home. It is about the right time now for planting the seeds, and you can get beautiful flowers from them late in the season if planted now. If you want early blooms, buy a few plants from the greenhouse, or from some neighbor who has been more thoughtful, and has begun to plant in time.

Then you want a few Phlox Drummondii, or Grandiflora. The phlox are very cheap, easily grown, very hardy, and come into flowering so rapidly that any one can raise them successfully from the seed. The word phlox signifies "a flame," and the bright and dazzling display which a bed of them makes in the front yard proves them to be well-named. The seedsmen are always introducing new kinds.

A Most Beautiful Effect

May be produced by edging other flower beds with the dwarf phlox, which grows

compactly. Get some of the dwarf mixed colors for edging, and the Drummondii grandiflora, (mixed colors) for general use. Give them rich soil of a sandy nature, and they will surprise you with their beauty and vigor.

Another Garden Beauty

The Snapdragon, which the florists call antirrhinum, is another indispensable floral addition to the garden. They have been much improved of late, and one can now procure some very large and fine kinds that are most surprisingly beautiful and ornamental. The New Giant, mixed, produces some of the largest and most brilliant flowers ever known. The dwarfs, in mixed packets, also give much pleasure in their great variety of color and odd-shaped flowers.

Other Floral Attractions

And then to those already enumerated, add some choice collections of sweet peas, verbenas, and asters, and you may "point with pride," as the politicians say, at the end of the season to the record you have made in rendering your home surroundings pleasant and attractive to both your own family and your neighbors, at the least possible trouble and cost.

The Luscious Green Pea

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Next month we should plant in the home garden the luscious green pea, which, if properly selected, properly planted, properly cultivated, and properly picked at the proper time, and then properly cooked, is, without a doubt the peer, if not the superior, of any garden luxury on earth. The strawberry crank has told us of his favorite fruit, that God could have made a better fruit if he had tried, but certainly he never did. Whatever doubt some may have about the superiority of the strawberry over other fruits, there seems to us to be no doubt of the super-excellence of the green pea.

Planting for First Crop

About the twentieth of April is the time to plant them in the latitude of New York, Michigan, and Wisconsin for first crop. Choose rich, sandy soil—no matter what your old fossilized, rock-bound clay advocate or muck agitator may say—and is the soil for good green peas for God's images to eat. If you want to feed hogs or cows, clay and muck soils will do to raise peas on.

The Best Variety

As to kinds, there are several good peas, but the best is the American Wonder—best for flavor, best for size (it is dwarf in growth), best for yield of shelled peas to the quart, and quickest to come to maturity, that is the quickest of the best kinds. It is, by far, the sweetest and tenderest of all peas if properly handled. Seedsmen have worked for over twenty years (since Bliss originated it) to get something better. The nearest they have come to it is Nott's Excelsior, and that lacks a good deal of being its equal.

How to Grow and Cook

Plant in rich, deep soil, keep clean of weeds, cultivate well until blossoms are out, pick when the pods are just barely filled, about two or three hours before they are to be eaten. Parboil for fifteen or twenty minutes, pour off the water, dress with milk, a very little butter and pepper and salt, and you have a feast for the gods, or the goddesses, or the angels in heaven, or the seraphim above, and, if there is a dyspeptic anywhere on earth or in the regions below (that's where most of them are) a mess of these peas will completely re-organize his gastronomic apparatus and put him on the road to health, wealth, and prosperity.



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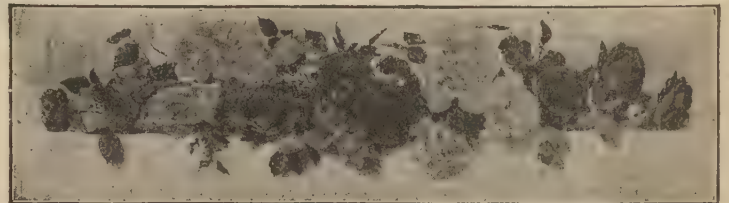
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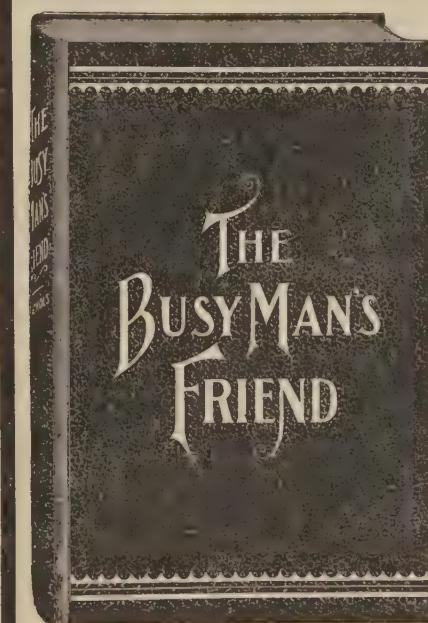
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SELDOM it is that a man after whom a city is named lives to see his namesake a metropolis with a population of one hundred and seventy thousand; but such has been the pleasant experience of General Denver, in whose honor Denver, Colo., was named. A few years ago General Denver visited the city, and was royally received. Commenting upon these facts, the Boston Transcript well observes: "This is a rare honor. Washington never saw the great city which he knew would bear his name. Lieutenant Duluth, the intrepid French officer, had been in his grave two hundred years before the city that perpetuates his fame was founded."

Another interesting chapter may be added to this exceptional record during the presidential campaign of 1908. A son of General Denver is slated as a delegate from one of the Ohio districts to the National Democratic convention to be held at Denver next summer, and it is proposed by certain 'believers in "that eternal fitness of things"' to elect the junior Denver permanent chairman of the Denver convention. Why not?

IN THE matter of unselfishness, people live within circles of greater or less diameter. The vast majority are content to live within an exceedingly narrow circle. Some are wholly absorbed in themselves, and their circle of unselfishness is an absolutely minus quantity. Such have no real love for any one other than themselves. There are others, however, who are reasonably kind, considerate, sympathetic, and unselfish in their relations to the members of their own immediate family, but have no loving interest in any one outside of the family circle. Consoling themselves with the reflection, "Charity begins at home," they are quite content to let it end there. It is manifestly true that the first duty of every one is to be dutiful, affectionate, loving, and kind at home; but no really good person will limit his sympathies, his kind words, his deeds of love, his sacrifices, gifts, and benefactions to the members of his own household. He will widen his circle, or rather, he will allow the self-forgetting love within him to do it for him.

As in mathematics, the greater circle on a common plane must needs include the lesser, so in the realm of the ethical and the spiritual, the greater circle of love universal will as inevitably include the lesser circle of domestic love. Indeed, the experience of mankind is that the wider the circle of one's love, the more intense will be that love within the inner circle. Well it is that our strongest and most affectionate attachment should be for those of our own kind and kin, but truly has said the poet-essayist Zimmerman:

MANY young writers seem to think that their first great duty to mankind is to write poetry. They very often have good thoughts, but fail properly to clothe them in the poetical garb which they attempt. These two statements

may safely be regarded as equally true: "All that glitters is not gold;" all that jingles is not poetry. Not a few who undertake to write poetry would do much better should they first seek to become proficient in expressing their thoughts in pure, plain prose. Verily, good prose is preferable to poor poetry.

NO one will seriously dispute the proposition that Dwight L. Moody and John Ruskin were two of the greatest men the nineteenth century produced. The fact that they died within a few weeks of each other suggests a comparison as does also the fact that in their later years they were contemporaries.

Though occupying different spheres, working from different view-points, adopting widely different methods, and, though differently environed, they were alike in this: each was, in his own way, a preacher of righteousness, honesty, integrity, duty, and loyal devotion to truth. Mr. Moody appealed largely to the emotions; and through inspiring the nobler aspirations of the human heart, sought to direct his fellow human beings to the way that leads on and up to the heights of eternal truth, where in perpetual majesty abides its infinite Author.

Mr. Ruskin kept constantly in view the same supreme object, but appealed to the love of the beautiful,—which has a place, though ere so small, in every human heart,—and sought to induce his followers to choose the good, and to travel those avenues leading to the true by pointing out to them the exquisite beauties that ever adorn, and are inseparably connected with, the royal highway of truth. With him genuine beauty was impossible without absolute fidelity to the good and the true.

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The exterior of a house is largely a matter of individual taste, these two exteriors are identical in plan. One shows the usual roof with its long ridge and the verge board at gables, turned porch posts and framed balustrade; the other shows the more modern roof, a combination of hip and gable with projecting eaves all around, square porch posts with heavy brackets and blinds on the windows giving the house quite a distinctive style.

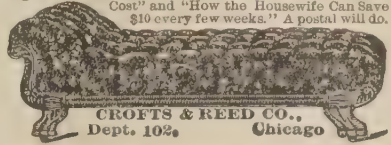
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Theme for the Month

Old is the saying yet true, "What is worth doing at all is worth doing well." In keeping with this thought a flower theme will be chosen for each issue. If too many designs and random ideas are suggested, the result is too often confusing, sometimes discouraging, and even distressing to the amateur desirous of becoming proficient in the delightful art of needlework. The thought for March is the wild rose and its pleasing fragrance will pervade all the suggestions given herein showing how this romantic flower may be made to adorn various articles of utility and beauty.

The Wild Rose Shirt Waist

As winter merges into spring no other fantasy so makes up the stuff of which countless maiden dreams consist as does that of the coming summer shirt waist. Herewith appears one of the maiden dreamers fair attired in a veritable dream of a wild rose shirt waist. This beautiful creation—that is the shirtwaist—may become the possession of either maid or matron through a trifling outlay for a few yards of white lawn, a few spools of silk, and the devotion of a few hours of time to the pleasant task of embroidering the fabric. Designs can be had, stamped on very best quality India lawn, three yards, 36 inches wide, including collars and cuffs. The stamping will wash out



after the embroidery has been completed. The design can be worked in three shades of a single color, as a light pink, a medium light pink, and a dark shade of pink.

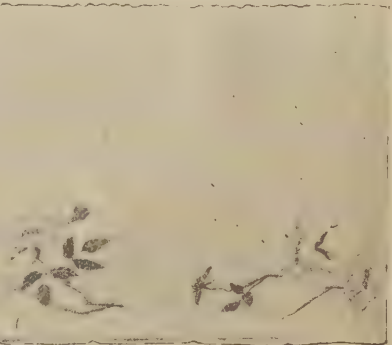
It is best to make all shadow embroidery on the wrong side of the material. Shadow designs can be embellished with small French knots set close together, around the outlines of petals, leaves, and stems. The knots should be made on the right side of the material. When stems or other parts of the design, are worked with satin stitch, this part of the work should be done also, on the right side of the material.

The design is stamped upon the material in such

manner that a waist can be made to fit any figure. Should the design be too wide for a slender figure, take up the fullness in a series of small tucks made on the shoulders, near the arm holes. If more width is desired across the bust, make a fold down the material from neck to waist line, exactly in the center of the embroidery.

Dresser Cover

With the dream of a wild rose shirt waist transformed into glad fruition, the mind of every beauty-loving woman naturally turns to the thought of her room and what will the whole year round impart to it the most of outdoor flavor and the free and happy atmosphere of the woodland. What can do this better than the incomparable wild rose? The happy idea then takes possession of



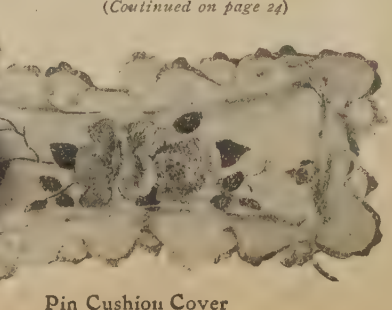
her mind. "How lovely it would be to have everything in my room harmonize with that charming shirt waist I am to wear!" She needs a new scarf for her dresser and she soon finds herself most happily employed embroidering one, 20 x 50 inches. The fabric is tinted white lawn. The scarf will require only twenty skeins of Grecian floss. The illustration herewith shows only one-half of dresser scarf.

Pin Cushion Cover

"And there," she remarks to herself, "is that old pin cushion. How much better it would look if it were replaced with a pretty wild rose cushion to match the cover I am just completing!" So she sends to Vick's Magazine for the artistic design like the one appearing herewith. This is made to fit a nine-inch cushion; to be fastened with ribbon through embroidered eyelets; tinted on white lawn. It requires about twelve skeins of Grecian Floss.

A Wild Rose Pillow

The need of a new sofa pillow is quite evident as there are only about a dozen over there on the cosy corner sofa, but the collection would certainly be incomplete without one to match the wild rose shirt waist, dresser scarf, pin cushion, and hair receiver, the last of which she will make later on. Hence she sends for this attractive pillow design. Upon its arrival she finds it so beautiful that she embroiders as much of it solid as possible. While the vase will look well simply outlined, the effect of



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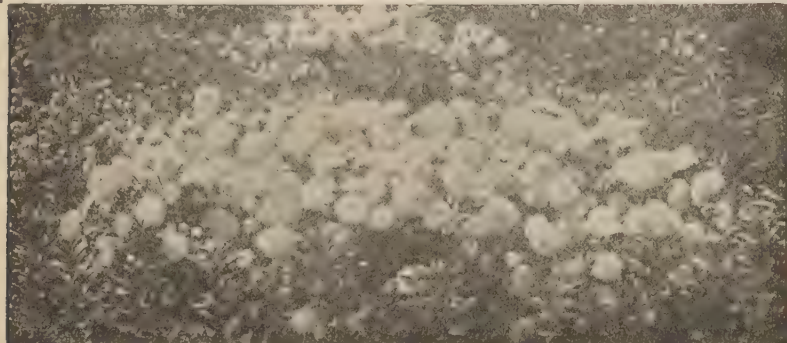
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Household Economy

ROUND TABLE TALKS

By Florence M. Howe

"Now I say this is simply delightful!" exclaimed Mrs. Eddy, as we took our seats around the table in her attractive dining-room. "I suppose we must concede that this is Maud's bright idea of devoting the Wednesday noon hour just to ourselves,—not for one word of gossip, you know,—a fact which we must all take care to remember,—but for very practical suggestions in the art of cooking and serving. Our object in these table talks will be to learn how to prepare simple and wholesome dishes; also how we may economize time in the daily routine work of the kitchen. A simple dish, daintily served, may be just as effective in coaxing one's appetite as a more elaborate dish requiring a great expenditure of time and patience on the part of the cook. None of us can deny that a good breakfast or a good dinner does help smooth out the little worries and wrinkles that are so ready to assert themselves in the course of a day's work."

Cooking a Science

"People still hesitate to call cooking a science, for the reason, no doubt, that so little of it is conducted along scientific lines," said Mrs. Adams. "We mix our ingredients together in every sort of fashion, the only requisite being that the mixture shall taste good."

"When we come to realize what cooking really means, we shall have a better right to the word science," added our hostess. "Isn't it Ruskin who says, 'It means the knowledge of all fruits and herbs and balms and spices; it means carefulness, and inventiveness, and watchfulness, and willingness, and readiness of appliance; it means the economy of your great grandmothers and the science of modern chemists?'"

Food Values

"We can not all buy just the same kind of foods, nor would we care to; but we do want to know the relative value of foods, and how to combine them properly."

"There is certainly no economy in buying cheap food; but that does not mean that we should always buy that which costs the most. Milk, dry peas, beans, lentils, and the grains will furnish us by far a greater amount of nutrition than other foods which we might choose, and which would be bought at much greater expense; but whatever we get, let us have the best and most wholesome of its kind. Variety, too, should be sought as much as possible. We do not need a host of separate dishes at the same meal, but our dinner to-morrow should be entirely different from the one served today. In order to accomplish this, the housekeeper must take a lively interest in arranging the menus, and occasionally must visit the markets herself. By doing this she can often arrange little surprises that add much to a meal, and yet make the additional cost very little."

"If man is known by what he eats, as some people insist on telling us, I think most of us would do well to keep an eye on our bills of fare," exclaimed Maud.

"At any rate our health is often materially affected by what we eat," observed Mrs. Eddy; "and if we only knew how to select our food with reference to our needs, we might add years to our life."

Various Nutritive Values

"In the first place nearly all our foods contain, in proportion, some more and some less, the elements, carbonates, nitrates, and phosphates. These, with the necessary waste material, which gives bulk to our food, form our principal food material, and fully meet the requirements of nature in imparting strength to the bones and muscles and vitality to the brain and nerves. The carbonates are the heat and force-producing foods, and constitute by far the largest part of all foods. In this class we have the starchy foods as rice, potatoes, buckwheat, portions of the grains, and all sugars. The nitrates supply the muscles with strength; such

foods as meat, cheese, fish, lentils, peas, and beans are found in this class. The phosphates give vitality to the brain and strength to the bones: shell fish, lean meats, active fishes, and birds belong in this class."

Importance of Proper Diet

"Doesn't it seem odd," interrupted Mrs. Adams, "that we have not thought of these things before and given closer supervision over the preparation of our meals! Only yesterday did I read that in five cities in the United States over sixteen thousand children had been taken out of the public schools because their nervous systems were wrecked; of course, as is usual, the author of the article attributed all this evil to the cramming processes of the American public-school system; but I was told, on very good authority, that in many of these cases the trouble might have been averted if the children had been furnished with a proper diet—one containing more of the phosphates. Did you ever notice how children, in selecting portions of chicken, almost always show a decided preference for the white meat, which in reality possesses no more nutriment than so much white bread, while the darker portions, which are rich in the phosphates and nitrates, are refused?"

"These facts show that we do not know how to appreciate our foods," remarked our hostess. "In all probability most of these children, as well as hosts of others in the same condition, were put under a doctor's care, and tended with loving solicitude by their anxious parents."

The Bread-Making Problem

"You know you promised to tell us something about bread," said Maud, sweetly, as she passed her cup to Mrs. Eddy, and helped herself to another sandwich. Bread-making, she admitted had long been her Rubicon which she had not dared attempt to cross; so that all the bread-stuffs consumed in her household were always purchased at the bakery. Upon one or two occasions she had tried very hard; but it had always ended in a burial scene somewhere out in the back yard. "You know I felt too much ashamed of myself to put it in the refuse bucket," she added, "for fear some one might find me out."

Our hostess informed us that the bread from which she had made her sandwiches, and which we all pronounced delicious, was made of whole wheat flour. "And," she continued, "the flour I consider first in importance. It is not so difficult to make bread in these days of compressed yeast, if one is careful to have pure wheat flour. We should use more of the entire wheat, and less of white flour; for with the improved machinery that we have nowadays, and the desire on the part of the millers to produce a perfectly white flour, there is in the finest white article really little or nothing but the starchy part of the grain. Suppose we examine a kernel of wheat; first there is the external tegument, which is of a hard, woody substance; this is what we call bran, and is wholly indigestible. Then there is an inner portion of several layers, containing gluten and all the necessary muscle-making elements, but these are discarded in making white flour. The white center, which is by far the larger part of the grain, is retained. This, however, is almost entirely composed of the carbonaceous elements, with only a sprinkling of the brain-and-muscle-making elements. Then there is what we call the germ, very small as compared with the rest of the kernel, but containing a large amount of the phosphates. This of course is discarded; for it would darken the flour. Thus we see how little of real value we have left of the wheat after it has been ground into white flour, while graham flour contains the whole of the wheat, it also contains more or less of the outer husk, or covering; when this is eliminated, we have what we call whole-wheat flour."

St. Patrick

BY G. E. LESLIE

Many people wonder why some friends of Saint Patrick persist in denying that he banished the snakes. They apparently think there is nothing about that to be ashamed of, so long as no one claims that he took any unscrupulous advantage of the snakes.

Banishing a few snakes that may chance to cross one's path from time to time is all right; and if they happen to be large, well-developed reptiles, or if they display a provoking unwillingness to shuffle off their mortal coil when a good opportunity has been given them, it may amount to a certain variety of popularity, and be productive of a degree of pardonable pride to banish them.

But for one's imperishable fame to rest largely on the false supposition that he made a specialty of banishing reptiles, is different. Any one can see that banishing snakes for a regular pastime is a low kind of business. It would probably be as honorable a vocation as that of a circus snake-charmer, and no less exalted than that of devouring snakes for public amusement; but it is not an occupation that any of us would advise our ancestors to adopt in the present state of the art. No one boasts now that his mother or grandmother was Mile De Tulseau, the queen of snake-charmers; or that his favorite uncle was Bosco, the Australian snake-eater.

Aside from all this, Saint Patrick was a modest man, and was averse to notoriety of any kind. It is difficult for us to comprehend such unusual traits in men; but we must remember that he lived fifteen hundred years ago, and that his early training and environments were different from that of most of the young men of the twentieth century. For six years his life was that of a mountain shepherd. Cut off from the world of vanity and from all the social haunts of vice, he contracted habits of modesty and reticence that would sit awkwardly on our society men, and would make them objects of suppressed comment everywhere. He loved music, but strangely preferred the simple, uncultured notes of the mocking-birds and wild canaries to the operas and cantatas of the masters. He was not at home in society. He never attended a full-dress French ball in his life, nor a banquet of the far famed Gridiron Club. He knew nothing of the art and beauty that flitted behind the foot-lights or before them either. If he had gone to an eight-course six-thirty function, he would have been as innocent as David Harum at the Price dinner party. Growing up thus, Saint Patrick's character was robbed of that sparkling and shimmering richness of exterior that is now in such favor with the elite everywhere.

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Old Zimmerhackle's Observations

Not Brilliant Perhaps
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By J. W. BURGESS

Keep Your Temper

No matter what troubles you may bump against;
No matter how stormy the weather—
It's dollars to dough-nuts that you will pull
through,
If you just hold yourself together.

But if you go flying off into space,
The devil will sure win the heat.
And when it's all over, you'll have to admit
'Twas your temper that caused your defeat.

It Didn't Work

They were alone in the parlor. She
had twisted the conversation around until
they were discussing names.

"I like your name," she coyly re-
marked, with a tailor-made twinkle in
her off eye.

"But you can't have it, Miss Blank,"
he blurted out, "unless you marry my
brother, for I'm already engaged."

No Scrap Book Now

"Yes, we keep a scrap-book, don't
you?"

"We did, until it took all our time to
record the scraps we had. Finally, we
got into a scrap as to which of us should
keep the scrap record, and then we con-
cluded it was time to discontinue. Since
then our scraps go unrecorded."

At a recent examination in a rural
school, one of the questions asked was:
"Name four insects to be found upon a
farm." The paper handed in by one of
the boy pupils answered the question
thusly: "Head lice, body lice, sheep
ticks and potato bugs."

Johnnie was watching a hen which had
just lost her head at the chopping-block.
She bled profusely, and after observing
that fact for some time, he sagely re-
marked that she must have been a "full-
blooded Brown Leghorn."

When you catch yourself imagining
that you are a trifle smarter than anybody
else, just try and carry two pails of milk,
and a lantern simultaneously, up a steep,
icy path, and watch the conceit ooze out
of you.

A clergyman met a young parishioner
whom he had missed for some time:
"Good morning, James! and are you
still trying to be good?"
"No, sir, I'm studying to be a law-
yer."

Farmer Parsley was hit in the eye
while threshing beans with a flail. Now
he is spending all his spare time trying
to figure out how a fellow could get a
black eye while threshing "yellow-eye"
beans.

Speaking of the old 'barrel churn—the
farmer who won't cheerfully grind out
a hundred or two revolutions on it while
his wife is singing the baby to sleep, is
a disgrace to the profession.

"Come home at noon," cautioned a
parent to his seven-year-old, "for we
don't sponge our meals, you know."
"Nope," was the curt reply, "we don't
sponge 'em, we eat 'em dirty."

When snow banks are piled to the top of the fence;
When staying indoors shows a man's common
sense;
When the wind howls and screeches to beat the
band,
Scattering snuffles and grip o'er the land—
It's March.

Half the men on earth hollow in where
the other half stick out. So there would
be plenty of room, if people would only
be accommodating.

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howling wilderness, then don't howl.

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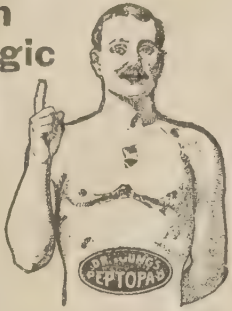
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At the Point of the Needle

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solid embroidery on this part of the design is much richer. Embroider the



flowers and foliage solid, with long-and-short stitches.

Hair Receiver

Peculiarly feminine, indeed, is this necessary adjunct to every woman's dresser. Possibly a plain tin cup tied round with a knitted sack has answered the purpose heretofore, but now that the wild rose is becoming dominant in the room, the thought soon finds audible expression: "I must have a wild rose hair receiver" as a result she sends for the design shown in the accompanying illustration. When it arrives she finds it 9 inches high; tinted in colors on white lawn, and including cone for inside; made in one design only, and requiring about six skeins Grecian Floss.



General Suggestions

There are several other designs for articles of beauty and utility that would admirably beset a wild rose sleeping room, designs for which may be had by writing the editor of this department.

The needle worker doing wild rose designs will find the following suggestions both timely and helpful.

Prepare the silk before beginning the work. Cut through the knot on the skein and open out the two ends. Slip the tag down the skein, to the center of the skein, and fold the two ends together. After all the skeins have been prepared in this manner, gather all the pink shades together and braid in one strand, beginning at the center of the skein, where it is folded; braid down to the ends of the skeins. Repeat the operation for the green silk for the foliage.

FLOWERS.—The petals of the Roses may be embroidered solid, or half-solid; with long-and-short stitch. If half-solid work is preferred, then, two or three rows of the long-and-short stitches must be worked across the larger petals. Two rows of the long-and-short stitches will be sufficient for the smaller petals. The more nearly solid the embroidery the handsomer will be the finished article. Start on one side of a petal and work a row of long-and-short stitch straight across the top of the petal; when the opposite margin has been reached, go down the side of the petal with an outline stitch, to a point that shall mark the lower edge of the second row of long-and-short stitches; work back to the opposite margin, blending the stitches of the second row well back between the stitches in the first row of long-and-short stitches. Do not cross or split a stitch in the first row, when blending in the stitches of the second row. Keep the lower edges of the long-and-short stitch rows irregular. The lower edge of the last row of long-and-short stitches should be quite uneven, the long stitches coming well below the shorter stitches in the row.

FOLIAGE.—Work the leaves half-solid, with long-and-short stitch. Start at the tip end of a leaf and, on one side of the center-vein, work a row of long-and-short stitch down the side of the leaf, to the stem. Slant the stitch toward the center vein. One row of long-and-short stitches can be made to cover each half of the leaf with solid embroidery, if the long stitches are brought almost to the center vein. For solid embroidery, two or three rows of the long-and-short stitches will be required. In using a second row, be careful to blend the stitches of the second row back between the stitches of the first row. When one-half the leaf has been completed, repeat the work on the opposite half. Outline the vein down the center of the leaf with Grecian Floss.

STEMS.—Embroider the stems solid, with satin stitch, taken diagonally across the width of the stem. Or, with long-and-short stitches, as may be preferred.

BUDS.—Work the buds solid. The green case on the bud is the calyx. The calyx is attached to the stem, and is round, like a small ball; this calyx extends up the bud, and is divided into small sepals. Embroider the calyx and sepals solid, with long-and-short stitches. When the sepals are opened, the color of the bud shows through, and should be worked solid, with long-and-short stitches.

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Elsewhere in this issue announcement is made of the editorial policy and attitude of Vick's Magazine, but on this page the publishers desire to have a heart to heart chat with our readers as to the many interesting new features that will be found in early numbers of this publication. The April issue will be a

Sunshine Number

And will be pervaded throughout with the delightful and ever welcome quality of sunshine. The artistic cover design will beautifully typify the theme of the month and will prepossess every one who sees it in favor of the magazine. The leading article will be by one of the world's most famous and best known press-women, Mrs. Cynthia Westover Alden, President-General of the International Sunshine Society. Therein Mrs. Alden will, in her own peculiarly fascinating style, give our readers an account of the founding, history, growth, and splendid achievements of this most deserving organization. Another important feature of the April issue will be two symposia, one contributed to by eminent men of our country in all walks of life, and the other by women equally eminent, in which all will briefly give their views as to the Sunshine movement and its importance, also as to the human welfare policy advocated by this magazine. Other departments for the month in keeping with the Sunshine idea will be: Sunshine and Flowers, Sunshine in Song, Building for Sunshine, etc. It is with very great pleasure the publishers announce that, beginning with the April number,

Mr. Eben E. Rexford

The world's greatest and ablest writer on floral topics, will become a regular contributor to the New Vick's and will hereafter have charge of our floral department. This announcement is proof positive to our readers that the publishers are sparing neither expense nor pains to make this department the very best to be found in any magazine the country affords. All lovers of flowers everywhere should subscribe for Vick's at once and thereby avail themselves of Mr. Rexford's unexcelled suggestions as to the intelligent care of flowers. It is an interesting fact in this connection that Mr. Rexford did his very first writing on floral subjects more than twenty-five years ago for Vick's Magazine, then edited by its founder, the honored and lamented James Vick. Thus it is that in again taking up this work Mr. Rexford is returning to his old time and first love. On behalf of our thousands of readers we bid him a thousand welcomes and more.

The Arbor Day Number

Extensive plans are already well advanced for making the 1908 May issue of Vick's Magazine the finest Arbor Day number ever gotten out in this country. It is the purpose of the publishers to make this issue a complete compendium regarding Arbor Day, its founding, its history, and the wonderful growth of interest in forestry and arboriculture since Arbor Day was founded about fifteen years ago by one of the Nation's greatest benefactors, the Hon. J. Sterling Morton, Secretary of Agriculture. One of the most interesting features of this issue will be a biography of Secretary Morton by a person intimately associated with him throughout his active life. Another most attractive feature of the May number will be a symposium of poems written specially for this magazine by several of our best known living poets, all of which will bear upon the subjects of trees, tree planting, arboriculture, and forestry. These poems, while of great interest to all, will be specially adapted for the use of school pupils for recitation purposes on Arbor Day, and will therefore make it unnecessary to rehearse to their hearers all the old-time and somewhat hackneyed poems on this subject. These offerings will be newly coined from the mental mints of a most interesting group of our best poetical writers. In every number all the home departments will be made intensely interesting and all matter regarding the special theme of the month will be closely related to home life and welfare. In each number will be many happy surprises for our readers.

The Good Roads Number

Of the NEW VICK'S will be the June issue, which will be a thoroughly up-to-date embodiment of the best achievement of the American people thus far in securing for themselves and their posterity, one of the greatest of civic blessings—Good Roads. More definite details will be given next month.

Both the Arbor Day and the Good Roads numbers will be of exceptional educational value and should be read and studied by every school pupil in the land. State, county, and city superintendents, and school principals and teachers everywhere will find these two issues of great aid to them in their laudable endeavors to interest both pupils and school patrons in Arbor Day and all the good it stands for, in the everywhere-important subject of Good Roads, and also in that other equally important subject, The School Beautiful. We are in position to show all school officials named herein how they can do much to make real in their own educational work, The School Beautiful. All educators are earnestly invited to address letters of inquiry to the editor of Vick's Magazine. All other readers are urged to call the attention of their educational friends to this matter so that a united effort may be made in the interests of Arbor Day, Good Roads, and The School Beautiful.

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The Fight With Vermin
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The nests for setting hens should be gotten ready now. Have you extra places, where they can sit undisturbed? Perhaps you remember how that fine setting of eggs was spoiled just because your laying hens wanted to use the same nest that was occupied by the setting hen. Did your hens last year hatch in places frequently passed by teams or on the same floor with the ever stamping horses? Does not this account for your poor hatches? Think it over. This jarring hurts the eggs. Make arrangements for a better place now.

A House for Setting
The best way is to have some separate room. Most persons, especially those in the country, have some old room or vacant shed at their disposal for this purpose. Rig up a row of nests on the floor, with removable fronts. Here you set all your hens, making it much handier and saving many a step by not being compelled to run to a dozen different places to look after each one separately.

The Setting Hen—Her Care
Feed and water them twice a day, the first thing in the morning and again before dark in the afternoon. Have plenty of fresh food and water each time you feed. Let the hens out one by one and they will soon learn what is wanted, when the front of their nest is opened. It will not take long before they go back to duty and, should one forget that duty calls her, gently drive her back.

In one corner have some dry road dust for an occasional bath, this they will relish very much and it helps them to

keep healthy and free from vermin. Have a box or better still a grit box filled with charcoal, grit, oystershell and the like; it all helps to keep the little worker in better health and shortens the long weeks they have to remain quiet. Of course it is understood that you have carefully dusted each hen and nest well with some good insect powder before starting her on her job, for well we know that the heat that hatches the little chicks, also hatches the chicks' worst enemy—the lice. It is here where most young stock receives a set back, hard to overcome again. Always remember, to be successful with geese, ducks, pigeons, in fact any poultry, you must fight their worst enemy—the lice, first, last, and all the time. Tobacco stems and pine shavings are best for nesting material for poultry as well as pigeons.

Eggs for Setting
If you have attended to all this you are now ready to await results. During the weeks of anxious waiting you will ask yourself many a time "What will the harvest be?" You have looked after all the details of hatching, but have you done the same and given equal attention to the most important part? Are you satisfied that you have given your breeding stock the proper attention before using eggs from them? What good does all your work do you now if the eggs you set, come from unhealthy, over fat, or poor conditioned stock. You cannot expect good strong, fertile eggs from stock shut up in over-crowded, ill-ventilated and poorly cleaned houses. Select eggs from the most vigorous stock, not birds that have had a cold all winter, even if they are getting over it now, or ones that have been sitting around, too lazy to move. No. Use the eggs from stock that scratch for their living from morning till night. It is this hen—the real hustler in hendom—that will give you the sturdy, well developed chick that grows with every hour, one that gives pleasure as well as profit.

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Our MEDICATED GOITRE BANDAGE is a convenient, soothing appliance, worn at night and cures while you sleep. The Bandage absorbs the swelling and the Goitre disappears in a few days. 16 years success. Write for free Treatise on Goitre, full particulars, etc. **PHYSICIANS REMEDY CO., 32 Sinton Bldg., Cincinnati, O.**



\$1 SOLID GOLD 12c

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Ladies Our Viburnum Co. is guaranteed to relieve painful or suppressed periods. \$1.00 by mail. **Peeler Medicine Co., St. Louis, Mo.**

Heralds of Spring

The Seedmen and their Beauteous Catalogues

MANY are the proofs abounding everywhere in all North American states and provinces that happy spring will soon be here and that the joyous spring time days will a little later on be followed by the glad summer time, with all its wondrous wealth of flowering and fruiting. To all whose life-task calls them to the care and cultivation of flowers, plants, grains, shrubs, or trees, there is no more welcome evidence of approaching spring than is the reappearing of the seedsman's advance guard, his beautifully illustrated catalogue. On the editor's desk is quite a library of these heralds of the coming awakening, all laden with something of its rich beauty and fragrance. Not only this, but each catalogue bears a special message from that section of the country from which it comes, showing clearly what plant or product there is king or queen.

Where Barley Holds Sway

King Barley certainly holds sway over a large region of the Middle West and there disputes honors with King Corn. In the great Northwest, including Illinois, Wisconsin, Iowa, Minnesota, and the two Dakotas, barley is surely a leading grain product, and it is from this region that a catalogue comes with a cover in royal blue decorated with a beautiful specimen of Oderbrucker barley. This attractive annual is issued by the well known firm, the L. L. Olds Seed Co., Clinton, Wis. Herewith is presented a half tone facsimile of the Olds artistic cover. The contents of this catalogue prove that this concern has a fine constituency not only of barley growers, but also of producers of corn, clover, grasses, and all kinds of farm and garden produce, together with the choicest of flowers. The company's exceptionally fine showing of potatoes indicates that this firm is bearing an important part in giving to the Badger State its pre-eminence as a producer of the great American tuber with an Irish name. The art work and typography of the Olds annual are exceptionally attractive and both bespeak an extra fine quality of goods advertised thereby.

The Rose Regnant in Ohio

The attractive catalogue issued by The George H. Mellen Co., of Springfield, O., makes it clear both that Ohio is, indeed, a state of beautiful flowers, and that in the Buckeye State the Rose is the queen of flowers. The varieties of roses offered by The Mellen Co. are almost without number, as are also other flowers, pansies, asters, nasturtiums, easter lilies, dahlias etc. The fine showing made by this company indicates what may be done by any concern that intelligently specializes in flower seeds alone.

Where the Tomato Reigns

In the great state of Ohio—that mighty commonwealth, the mother of presidents just now laboring ardently to bring forth another ponderous specimen of the presidential plant—we conclude that the Tomato must be king, judging from the brilliantly colored cover page of the Seed annual published this year by The Livingston Seed Co., of Columbus, O. Both the cover and the descriptive pages within give special emphasis to the Livingston New Coreless Tomato, which is described therein as the most perfect canning tomato ever produced. In Ohio, where thriving manufacturing cities are to be seen on every hand, the production of all kinds of fruit and garden stuff is remarkably profitable. That the Livingston Co. is fully meeting the expectations of farmers and gardeners of that region, is evident from the beautifully illustrated

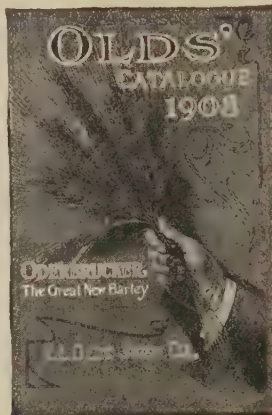
pages of their 1908 catalogue. Few Seedsmen anywhere are offering a more complete and better assorted variety of seeds for gardening purposes than is the Livingston Seed Co. The company's showing of floral seeds is also most excellent.

Ratekin's Seed Book

Issued by the Ratekin Seed House, Shenandoah, Ia., forcibly illustrates the last statement. It also proves, without question, that in that mighty empire of the west, including the states of Iowa, Missouri, Illinois, Nebraska, and Kansas, —corn truly is king. That the realm of King Corn and that supplied with all kinds of seeds by the Ratekin Seed House, is not limited to the states named, is clearly shown by a map published in their 1908 catalogue. This shows that the firm received during 1907, 172,359 orders, Iowa naturally leading with 19,107; Missouri following with 18,504; Illinois next with 17,505, and Texas with 16,500. The remaining orders came from every state of the Union, "Little Rhody" sending in forty-two, and arid Nevada bringing up the rear with twenty-five. While the Ratekin Seed House may truly be said to specialize in corn, it is fully up with the times in all other branches of seed production.

Where the Strawberry is King

The catalogue at hand from W. F. Allen, Salisbury, Md., affords convincing proof that, in "Maryland, My Maryland" and thereabouts, the luscious, succulent Strawberry is certainly king. Just a look at the cover of the Allen catalogue, with its portrayal of the rich, red unrivaled fruit of the vine, makes one's mouth water and fills the owner of the mouth with a longing for a liberal supply of the reality. An examination of the Allen annual recalls to the mind the saying attributed to Henry Ward Beecher, Prof. VanDyke, and other eminent men, "I have no doubt that God can make a better berry than a strawberry, but one thing I know, He never did make a better berry than a strawberry." Owing to the unfortunate fact that the strawberry season lasts only a few short weeks in any locality, Mr. Allen has also provided abundantly for various plants bearing other kinds of palatable fruits. He also supplies a full line of seeds for the growth of all kinds of "garden truck," for which exists so great a demand, with good prices attached, in the great cities of our Atlantic seaboard.



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Best Quality with

VICK'S MAGAZINE

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FREE 5-PIECE OUTFIT

This outfit is the very latest Parisian design and every lady should not fail to take advantage of my great offer.

CORSET—made of white or drab batiste. Double steel front and back, steel sides. Double elastic HOSE SUPPORTERS with plated clasps and buckles. Non-corroding aluminum eyelets, plated fasteners—not the cheap jappanned kind. Edged with nice pattern lace. Stylish straight front. **CORSET COVER**—Made of white cambric, edged with nice pattern lace. Cut full and well made. Fastens with pearl buttons. **CHEMISE**—Made of good quality muslin. Edged with nice pattern lace. Has panel front of embroidery and lace edging. A full size well made garment. **DRAWERS**—Made of good quality cambric. Has a wide ruffle with hem on the bottom. Fitted with waist band and button holes. Full size and well made.

I have a special 25c offer in which I want you to help me interest only 10 of your neighbors. It is a very liberal offer and any one of your neighbors will be only too glad to accept it at only 25c. I will supply you with a free outfit and everything necessary to start the work with and I know you can easily earn this fine outfit in a short time. Send no money but write today. Address

D. DAVIS, Manager, Dept. 49X, CHICAGO



Latest Undergarment Corset, Corset Cover, Chemise, Hose Supporters, Drawers Great Introductory Offer

SHAWL & FASCINATOR GIVEN AWAY



This is an imported mercerized silk shawl with beautiful silk stitch design and fringed border; can be had in assorted and combination colors and measures nearly a yard square.

The fascinator is also made of all worsted floss and mercerized silk with zigzag stripes, fancy and chain stitch wide lace border, knit pompom, fully lined.

I will give both the shawl and fascinator (not one but both) to any lady who will do a little pleasant work for me in her spare time by interesting only ten of her neighbors in my liberal 25c offer. It is the most liberal offer you ever saw and all your neighbors will be glad to accept it. As soon as you have collected the \$2.50 send it to me and I will send you both presents at once.

SEND NO MONEY. Just your name and address, and I will send you the complete outfit at once with which to commence work. It costs you nothing to try as the outfit can be returned if you do not care to accept my liberal offer. Address

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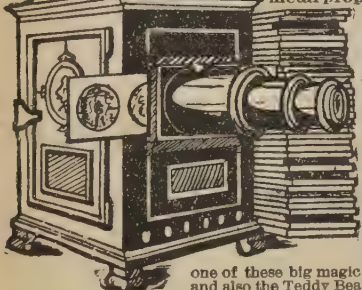


BIG MAGIC LANTERN FREE and TEDDY BEAR FREE

to BOYS and GIRLS for doing a little special work for us among your friends. Only requires a few minutes of your time.

This is an Imported Brass Mounted Stereopticon showing large colored pictures. We give with it a large assortment of colored pictures, many funny, and several moving picture slides. Also this large, brown, woolly Teddy Bear that has movable joints so that it can be placed in all sorts of funny positions.

This Magic Lantern is fitted with Double Telescope Crystal Lenses, Lantern is Fully Lacquered in Red or Black, with Nickel Plated Trimmings; handsomely designed; has metal props for slides.



Complete with oil lamp and a large assortment of colored slides. I am going to give

one of these big magic lanterns and complete outfits and also the Teddy Bear absolutely free of cost to every boy or girl who will spend an hour or two of their time doing a little work for me. I have a special 25c offer in which I want you to help me interest only 10 of your neighbors. It is the most liberal offer you ever saw and any one of your neighbors will be only too glad to take advantage of it at only 25c. I supply you with a free outfit and everything necessary to start work with, and if you will follow my instructions I know that you can earn both the Magic Lantern outfit and Teddy Bear in about an hour of your spare time.

D. DAVIS, Mgr. Lantern Dept. 49 T

CHICAGO

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WATCH AND RING GIVEN FREE FOR A FEW MINUTES OF YOUR SPARE TIME



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Send no money, just your name and address, and I will send you the pictures and complete outfit at once. When you have collected the \$2.50 send it to me and I will positively send you both the watch and ring at once. Write today. Address

D. DAVIS, Mgr., Dept. 49LL, Chicago, Ill.

A HANDSOME SANITARY ENAMELED BED

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Any Lady can have one of my beautiful, full size Sanitary Enamelled Beds absolutely free of cost by just giving me a few minutes of her spare time.



Remember the bed is double width and full length. The end posts are heavy and strong; heavily enameled, and all the castings are made of the best malleable iron.

DON'T SEND ME A CENT. Just send me your name and address and I will send you a complete outfit and full particulars how you can get a beautiful bed just for interesting and getting only 20 people to accept our remarkably liberal offer at only 25c each. You will be surprised to find out how easy it is to do this when you get my outfit and full particulars, for the people will be only too glad to accept the offer at only 25c each. As soon as you have collected the \$5.00 you send it to me and I will positively send you the bed at once, exactly as promised, absolutely free of charge. Write today for the outfit. It costs you nothing to try as the outfit can be returned if you decide not to take up the work. Address

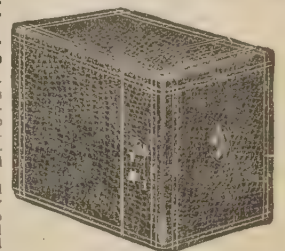
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This is a first-class leatherette covered snapshot camera guaranteed to take first-class pictures size 2 1/2 x 3 1/2 inches just as good as any high priced camera. I also give with this camera a complete printing and developing outfit, in fact everything necessary to take and finish a first-class picture. I also give a complete instruction book with each outfit so that any child can take pictures successfully by following instructions. Remember this is a real camera and absolutely guaranteed to take a first class picture.

I will give this camera and complete outfit to any one who will dispose of only 10 of my beautiful multi-colored art pictures on my special plan at 25c. Anybody who shows my offer to will be only too glad to accept it at 25c, each as it is the most liberal offer you ever heard of. Send no money. Just your name and address and I will forward the pictures and complete outfit at once. Address

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FOR A FEW MINUTES OF THEIR SPARE TIME



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The Teddy Bear is the cutest fellow you ever saw, big and shaggy with movable head, arms and legs, will stand up or sit down in whatever position placed.

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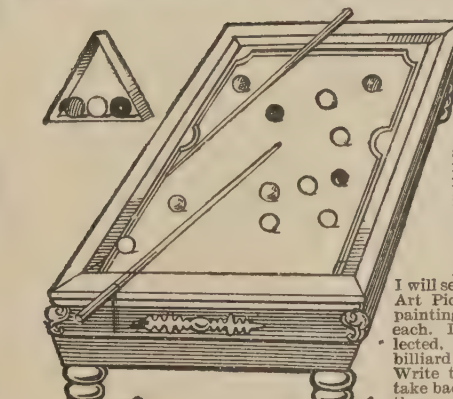
WE WILL GIVE NOT ONE BUT ALL FOUR PRESENTS

all at one time to every girl that will do a little pleasant work for us in her spare time. All we ask you to do is show our great special offer to your neighbors and get 10 of them to accept it at only 25c each. It is the most liberal offer you ever heard of and they will be glad to accept it.

SEND NO MONEY

Just send us your name and address and we will send you the complete outfit with which to start work at once. As soon as you have collected the \$2.50 send it to us and we will positively send you not one but all four presents at once, exactly as promised. Write today. It costs you nothing to try, as we will take back the outfit if you decide not to accept our offer. Address

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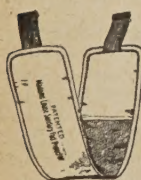
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Theobroma

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who had taken offense at the drastic measures adopted by him to prevent the custom. After his death the women triumphed and the old-time custom again revived in all its glory (?), tinkling, and clatter, and resulting irreverence.

From more recent authorities on the culture of the succulent cacao berry and the uses made of it we learn that it was first found in Mexico and brought delight to the hearts of its consumers when it was introduced abroad. It is now grown in the West Indies, Central, and South America, extensively, and its cultivation has been introduced into some parts of Asia and Africa. Trees grow with a bare stem to the height of six or seven feet, dividing into many branches and attaining a height of only about eighteen feet in all, as a rule. The trees have large undivided leaves and clustered flowers. They yield two principal crops yearly. The fruit is a five-angled capsule, of a substance half leathery and half woody, containing many seeds in a butter-like pulp. The pods, which are six or eight inches long, are yellow, and red on the side next the sun. Fifty to one hundred seeds are found enclosed in each of the pods. A fragile skin or shell covers the dark-brown, oily, aromatic, bitter kernel. Cultivated trees produce larger seeds.

There are two methods by which the cocoa beans are extracted. Sometimes the cucumber-like pods are placed in heaps on the ground or in earthen vessels and allowed to stay for five days' fermentation, after which the pods are opened by hand. The seeds are dried by the sun or by artificial heat. Clay rotting is the other method and this is said by some growers to produce best results. The cocoa fruit is buried in clay or earth till the pulp becomes rotten, when the beans, or seeds, are extracted and dried. The beans are then shipped in great bags to the factories, where the beans are first roasted in the great revolving ovens, some what as are peanuts. And skill is here required because there must not be a bit too much heat applied. When properly roasted, the cocoa beans are broken by machinery, the "shells" falling into a place by themselves, down to the lower floor of the building where they are carted away to be used as fertilizer. At the same time that the shells are being separated from the kernel, the "nibs," as the broken bits of bean are called, are being passed through wire in such a manner that nibs of different sizes are taken care of by themselves. The nibs are reduced to powder by grinding and pressure.

Afterwards, the cocoa butter is extracted from a certain proportion of the cocoa. It would be well at this stage to state that this is the American process which we are considering and American manufacturers feel that it is far better than the foreign method. Across the water the cocoa beans, after being roasted, are chemically treated. An alkali process yielding "soluble cocoa" is employed. The American manufacturers recognize no need or gain in this method and it is surely true that in American cocoa and chocolate the purchaser gets the pure article.

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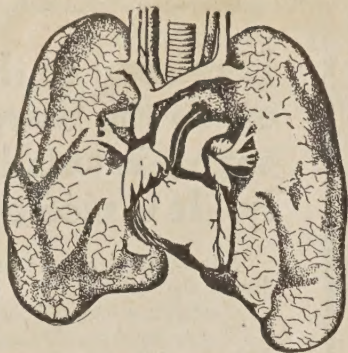
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Old Nole's Awakening

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"Not even Shannon," chuckled old Noles.

"And I'm an old fool."

"I'm so glad. I just wish we'd been fools all our lives. We've missed it being so sensible."

"That's so," said Noles, patting her hand; "but we'll try and redeem the time by a little more foolishness than is usually seen in people of our age."

Fertilizing Wheat

Prof. A. M. Soule in Southern Farm Magazine

The advisability of using commercial fertilizers on wheat is borne out by the following data obtained in experiments made under the writer's direction, and further illustrate the importance of supplying soils with vegetable matter on which complete fertilizers are used. On rather thin land on which cowpeas were plowed under and an application of nitrate of soda at the rate of seventy-five pounds and muriate of potash at the rate of thirty-seven five tenths pounds were applied the cost of a bushel of increase was twenty-two cents. On the same land treated in like manner an application of 150 pounds of acid phosphate and thirty-seven and five tenths pounds of muriate of potash gave a bushel of increase at a cost of sixteen cents. In these two instances the increase from the use of fertilizers was between ten and eleven bushels per acre. Acid phosphate alone applied at the rate of 500 pounds per acre gave a bushel of increase at a cost of twenty-seven cents. We are of the opinion that practically the same increase would have been obtained from possibly half the application, which would have reduced the cost of a bushel of increase quite materially. Where a complete fertilizer was used at the rate of 300 pounds per acre the cost of a bushel of increase was twenty-seven cents. These figures are quoted to show that fertilizers properly compounded and used on wheat will increase the yield quite markedly and at a cost that is profitable to the farmer. Besides that, all the fertilizer applied to the wheat crop is not used by it, and there is a residue left in the soil which will put it in better condition for succeeding crops.

It sometimes happens, says "The North American" of Philadelphia, that the historian skips the most interesting incidents in giving an account of the customs and habits of a race of people. Thus it comes about that it is not generally known that there were colored slaveholders in the South before the war. Negroes actually owned slaves and bought and sold men and women of their own race the same as did white people. In the official list of taxpayers published in Charleston, S. C., in 1860 the names of 132 colored people were given as the owners of 390 slaves in that city. Many owned from one to seven each, three held twelve, one thirteen, and one fourteen.

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We positively guarantee our statements true, perfect satisfaction and honest service—or money refunded.

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I have made new and important discoveries in the cure of Rupture and for the next 30 days I will give every ruptured person who follows these directions a chance to try this remarkable Home Cure, **FREE.** Mark on the diagram the location of the rupture. Answer the questions and mail this to **DR. W. S. RICE, 700 Main Street, Adams, N. Y.**

Age..... Time Ruptured.....

Name.....

Address.....

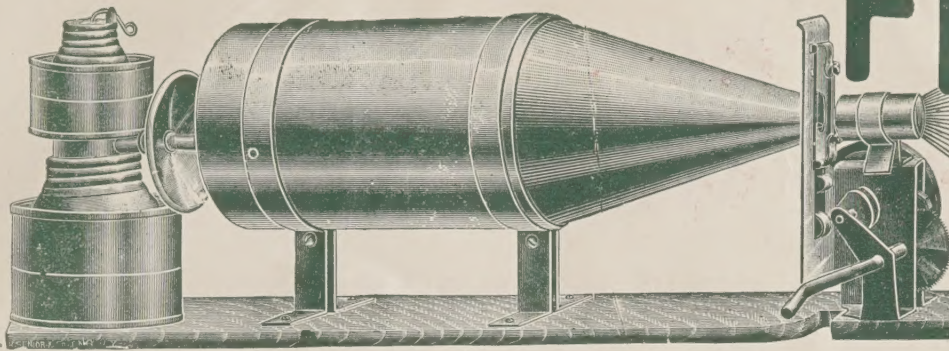
Does rupture pain?..... Do you wear a Truss?.....

320 Moving Pictures

and this marvelous Moving Picture Machine, with complete equipment—all given away—all FREE—absolutely

Here is a photograph of the marvelous moving picture machine which I want to send you FREE. It flashes moving pictures in which men, women, steam engines, boats, animals and automobiles move before you just as if you were looking at the real objects. And the machine and the pictures are FREE—absolutely free to every boy in this land who wants to write for an outfit—free to girls and free to older people.

Read how to get this marvelous machine and these 320 moving pictures.



FREE

500 CANDLE POWER LAMP THROWS A SUPERBLY BRILLIANT LIGHT

A REAL GOLD MINE.

BOYS AND GIRLS you can make lots of money when you get this great outfit of 320 moving pictures and the marvelous moving picture machine free. And you can entertain your friends as they were never entertained before. Bring the great interesting events from every part of the globe right into your own home. See the great football games, the thrilling automobile races, the hurrying throngs on Broadway, the great steamships coming in churning the foam and puffing out smoke. Hundreds of people will be glad to pay money to see these things.

MY OFFER:

I will mail you 28 of the most beautiful premium pictures you ever saw—all in brilliant and shimmering colors. There are fourteen different colors in the pictures, all wrought together in the most splendid manner. I want you to distribute these premium pictures on a special 25-cent offer among the people you know. They cannot get these pictures at the art stores at any price. When you have distributed the 28 premium pictures on my liberal offer you will have collected \$7.00. Send the seven dollars to me and I will immediately send you FREE the moving picture machine outfit and the 10 feet of film, containing 320 moving pictures, all complete, FREE.

HERE IS what you are to do in order to get this amazing moving picture machine and the 320 moving pictures: Send me your name and address on the free coupon—that is all. Write your name and address very plainly. Mail this to me to-day. As soon as I receive it I will immediately send you the moving picture machine and the 320 moving pictures. I want you to distribute these premium pictures on a special 25-cent offer among the people you know. They cannot get these pictures at the art stores at any price. When you have distributed the 28 premium pictures on my liberal offer you will have collected \$7.00. Send the seven dollars to me and I will immediately send you FREE the moving picture machine outfit and the 10 feet of film, containing 320 moving pictures, all complete, FREE.

I have the sole right to give away the moving picture machine and the moving pictures, and the first one who answers will be the first one to receive the great gifts.

AN HONEST STATEMENT.

\$11.00 Made by Two Boys in One Night.

READ THIS INTERESTING LETTER.

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Dear Sir:—My chum, Ben Perry, and myself worked together and got a wonderful moving picture machine from you. We gave a show together and made \$11.00 in one night.
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This great Moving Picture Machine is no toy nor small outfit, but a regular moving picture machine, operating with films on the same principle as the moving picture machines that are used by entertainers costing hundreds and hundreds of dollars.

HOW you can get this stupendous outfit free is explained above where it says in big black type, "MY OFFER."
Send me the Free Coupon.
CHAS. E. ELLIS, President.

Complete Moving Picture Machine Outfit, with safety carbide generator and lamp, other equipment and 10-foot film set of 320 pictures.

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For the convenience of my Western friends you may send your answer to my Chicago office (see coupon) if nearer your home.

CUT OUT COUPON AND MAIL TODAY.

FREE COUPON

GOOD FOR MOVING PICTURE MACHINE OFFER

CHAS. E. ELLIS, President,
649 W. 43d St., New York City,
or 112 Dearborn Street, Chicago, Ill.

Dept. 509
DEAR MR. ELLIS:
Please send me the twenty-eight premium pictures and outfit, so that I may earn the great MOVING PICTURE MACHINE. Yours truly,
Sign your name and address.

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A BIG BOX OF PRESENTS GIVEN TO GIRLS

**A Beautiful Doll
A Big Teddy Bear
A Kitchen Set and
10 SOUVENIR POST CARDS**

I love children and I want to be known as the children's friend. And so I want to give FREE to every child who reads this paper **A REAL TEDDY BEAR, A BEAUTIFUL BIG DOLL, A 25-PIECE KITCHEN SET, and TEN COLORED POST CARDS.** Just think of it! A Teddy Bear, Doll, a 25-Piece Kitchen Set and 10 Colored Post Cards FREE!



HAS A VOICE

A BIG TEDDY BEAR FREE

This Beautiful Doll Also Free



AS PRETTY AS A PRIZE BABY

I have had thousands of these fine big Teddy Bears made specially for me, to give away to the children of this country. This Teddy Bear is nearly a foot high. He is made of fine quality of genuine bear skin cloth, and he looks as though he were alive. You can move his arms, legs and head, and make him do anything you want. I know you will enjoy him as a play-fellow, just as my little girl does. Teddy Bears are so popular that it is hard to get them now; but by buying thousands I have been able to get a large supply for my little friends. I want you to have one, and will gladly send it to you with the other presents if you will give me just a few minutes of your time. Read how to get the big box of presents in the lower right hand corner of this advertisement.

Girls, I am sure you never had a finer doll than the one I will give you free. She is EIGHTEEN INCHES HIGH and as life-like as your own little baby sister would be. She has beautiful hair, large, bright eyes, pretty cheeks, and is handsomely dressed. Really, my little friends, she is one of the cleverest dolls you ever saw. She walks and she goes to sleep. Her arms, head and neck and legs are movable. I am sure you would like this doll for your very own. Now, then, children, read my offer and see how to get the Doll and Bear as well as the 25-Piece Kitchen Set and 10 Colored Post Cards.

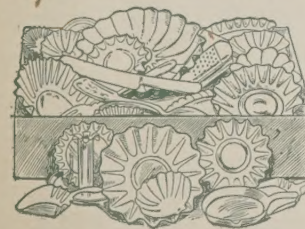
A COMPLETE KITCHEN SET FREE—25 PIECES

I want every little girl to have one of these kitchen sets. They are made of stamped metal, in a great many pretty designs, and every little girl who has a set can play house better than she ever could before. The set contains everything that a little girl wishes:

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| 1 KNIFE | 1 CANDLE STICK | 1 BAKING PAN | 2 PATTY PANS |
| 1 FORK | 1 GRATER | 3 PIE PANS | 2 FANCY TRAYS |
| 2 TEA SPOONS | 1 FRYING PAN | 1 JELLY MOULD | 1 LARGE TRAY |
| 1 OUST PAN | 1 FLOUR SCOOP | 2 LARGE PATTY PANS | 1 CAKE PAN |
| 1 SUGAR SPOON | 1 SUGAR SCOOP | | 1 CAKE DISH |

There are 25 pieces in the set, so many that a small picture cannot give you an idea of how nice it really is. I want to send you the set free in a big box with the other presents.

FREE—10 Comic Colored Post Cards for You
I will also send you a package of ten of the finest colored post cards you ever saw. You will laugh until your sides ache when you see them. So will your friends when they see them. Funny is no name for these cards. They are included in the big box of presents I want to send you.



CUT OR TEAR OUT THIS COUPON

P. J. ALLEN, 627 W. 43d St., Dept. 754, New York City

Dear Mr. Allen: Please send me the twelve premium pictures and outfit so that I may earn a Teddy Bear, a beautiful Doll, the 25-Piece Kitchen Set and 10 colored Post Cards.

NAME.....

ADDRESS.....

Just Sign and Mail Coupon. No Letter Necessary. The Coupon Will Do.

No Letters Necessary—Fill Out This Coupon

and Mail it To-day

How to Get the Big Box of Presents Free

Any little girl can have this big box of presents containing the TEDDY BEAR, the BEAUTIFUL DOLL, the COMPLETE KITCHEN SET and TEN COLORED POST CARDS absolutely free. There is not a penny to pay. SEND NO MONEY. All you have to do is to send me your name and address on the coupon. I will send you at once twelve FAMOUS PREMIUM PICTURES by great ARTISTS to distribute among your friends and neighbors on my special liberal offer.

THE FREE PRESENTS ARE SO EASY TO EARN

Simply distribute the premium pictures on my liberal offer. They are such beautiful works of art that everyone who sees them wants them. The originals would cost probably more than a thousand dollars apiece. These premium pictures are reproduced in the most beautiful colors known to the artist's palette and you will find it very easy to dispose of them, on my special 25-cent offer. Send me the money, and the very day I receive it I will send you the big box of presents free. It will take you only a little while to distribute the premium pictures and there is no reason why you cannot have the cute Teddy Bear, the big Beautiful Doll, the Complete Kitchen Set and the Colored Post Cards to play with very soon.

Thousands of girls everywhere are taking advantage of this offer and are being made happy with these big boxes of presents. Do not wait; but send me the coupon to-day, and before you know it you will have your big box of presents. Write your name and address plainly on the coupon, put it in an envelope and address it to me. Remember I will send you, all charges prepaid, this big, fine Teddy Bear, the Beautiful Doll, the 25-piece Kitchen Set and the package of 10 Souvenir Post Cards. All securely packed in a big box; so everything will arrive safely and then your heart will jump with joy.

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DON'T SEND ANY MONEY, Just Hurry. Write today, and say you want a pony outfit. Of course, the first one answering this advertisement stands the best chance. **Every boy or girl writing us can get a prize. Use the attached coupon.**

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